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CARS CRASH; SCORE INJURED

DISASTROUS COLLISION ON SEATTLE ELECTRIC

Accident Occurs During a Heavy Fog—Motorman Killed.

(Special to the Times).

Seattle, Wash., Dec. 5.—At least a score of persons were injured, Motorman Gus Olsen is dead and two others may be fatally injured, when the outbound University car crashed into the inbound car at Roanoke street, on East Lake avenue, at 7.40 o'clock this morning. The desperately hurt were removed to the Seattle General hospital as fast as ambulances and automobiles could be summoned.

The exact cause of the wreck is not known, but it is claimed that owing to a heavy fog the motorman on the outbound car missed the block light on the single track, and ran almost on the inbound car before he saw it. When he applied the brakes they failed to work, and the next moment came the crash.

Motorman Olsen, of the inbound car, tried to jump when he saw the other car was bearing down upon him, but he was too late, and was taken, broken and bleeding, from the debris. The inbound car was heavily laden with passengers, and many were crowded in the forward part. The crash came without warning, and those in the inbound car had not a chance to escape. Several women fainted and the screams of the injured filled the air.

TRANQUILITY IN PORT AU PRINCE

GENERAL SIMON TO MAKE TRIUMPHAL ENTRY

New President is Popular Among Lower Classes—Ministers Fleeing.

Port Au Prince, Dec. 5.—General Simon with his army is at the very gates of Port Au Prince, only awaiting the morrow to enter the capital triumphantly at the head of his 6,000 men. Had it not been that yesterday was Friday, a day that to superstitious Haytiens is one of ill-omen, the 15 miles separating them from the capital would have proved no obstacle and last night the victorious revolutionists would have been within the city.

The delegation sent out from Port Au Prince yesterday met General Simon to-day at Carrefour, where he is lodged at the Villa Monrepas, a fine house built by ex-President Hippolyte. The general assured the delegates that his men were well disciplined, and would make a peaceful entry into Port Au Prince.

Among the lower classes General Simon is very popular. The better classes are more reserved in their opinion of him and would have preferred a man more refined than he for the presidency. They are resigned, however, to accepting General Simon.

General Leconte, former minister of the interior, will embark at St. Thomas, D. W. I., on a French mail steamer to-day and proceed to Cape Haytien, where he will land Sunday. General Firmin is on board the steamer Virgia, bound from St. Thomas for Port Au Prince, by way of Kingston. No news has been received here concerning the movements of General Fouchard.

Gen. Jules Coicou, military chief of Port Au Prince, to-day took refuge in a seminary. Threatening groups stood in front of the building for a while, but soon were dispersed.

The city of Port Au Prince is tranquil, and from the country districts there have come no reports of disorder.

Given Ovation.

Port Au Prince, Dec. 5.—(Later)—The revolutionary army of 8,000 men marched into Port Au Prince at 8 o'clock this morning. General Antoine Simon was at its head, and he was given an ovation by the people of the city. The entrance of the soldiers was orderly and discipline is being maintained.

MYSTERIOUS SUICIDE.

Leduc, Alb., Dec. 5.—A very sad affair occurred at Calman, near here, on Thursday. Richard Duncan, about 60 years of age, after driving his wife and family to a school entertainment walked a mile up the road and shot himself with a rifle. Neighbors found the body on Friday. No cause is assigned for the rash act.

DEATH OF REAR-ADMIRAL.

New York, Dec. 5.—Rear-Admiral Joseph B. Coghlan died at his home in New Rochelle, N. Y., at 7.30 o'clock this morning. He was in command of the New York navy yard from 1904 to 1907. He removed to New Rochelle only about two weeks ag

STEAMER FOUNDERS IN LAKE SUPERIOR

Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., Dec. 3.—Steamer Tampa, owned in Detroit, and bound to Fort William with a cargo of 3,200 tons of coal, has gone to the bottom. She left here on Sunday in the teeth of a gale.

NEW PHONE COMPANY.

Chicago Capitalists Subscribe $1,500,000 to Canadian Concern.

(Special to the Times.)

Ottawa, Dec. 5.—The Independent Telephone Company of Canada has secured a capital of a million and a half from Chicago capitalists. This has been deposited in the Bank of Hamilton. It is hoped by this means to end the Bell monopoly.

EXPANSION OF CANADIAN NORTHERN

Three Branch Lines to Open on Sunday — Company Now Operates 3,100 Miles.

(Special to the Times).

Winnipeg, Man., Dec. 5.—On Sunday the Canadian Northern opens three branch lines in Western Canada. The Brandon-Regina line will be opened with thirty-one new stations. The Rosburn extension to Russell with three stations and the Goose Lake extension from Saskatoon with twelve stations.

This company now operates 3,100 miles of railway in Canada.

MILLOY MUST NOW FACE MURDER CHARGE

One of Four Men Shot at Dryden Succumbs—Several Arrests Made.

Kenora, Ont., Dec. 5. — Richard Denna, who was one of the four men shot by Joseph Milroy at Dryden on Wednesday night, died yesterday, and Milroy will now have to face a charge of murder. The other three men are doing well.

Several arrests have been made in connection with the affair. The preliminary hearing takes place to-day.

From reports received it does not appear that there was any quarrel before the shooting. Fourteen men were in the house, when suddenly, without warning, Milroy drew a Browning automatic pistol and started firing.

Milroy was arrested by Constable Rollo, of Dryden, who found him in the bush. He remarked that he would have shot the lot if he had had time.

ENGLISHMAN MISSING.

Chicago, Ills., Dec. 5.—The disappearance of a man whose name was given to the police as Herbert Russell, of Bridgeport, Eng., and Spokane, Wash., was made public to-day when detectives admit a search of two weeks had been unsuccessful. He was reported missing a fortnight ago by Mrs. Russell when her husband failed to return to his hotel in this city, and at her request the matter was taken in hand. Mr. Russell has been in the United States for a year inspecting his timber interests.

POPE SUFFERS RELAPSE.

Again Has to Take to Bed When Practically Recovered.

Rome, Dec. 5.—The Correspondenza Romano, a Vatican organ, asserts that, contrary to reports in circulation, Pope Pius has suffered a relapse, and again has been ordered to take to his bed.

The Pontiff had practically recovered from his recent indisposition, and yesterday descended from the third floor of the Vatican, where his private apartments are, to his official quarters on the second floor. There he received Cardinal Merry Del Val, the Papal secretary of state.

M. J. ALGUIRE DEAD.

(Special to the Times.)

Winnipeg, Man., Dec. 5.—M. J. Alguire, owner of the King Edward hotel at Neepawa, died this morning.

ELECTION PROTEST.

Bristol, Que., Dec. 5.—A protest has been entered against the election of G. F. Hodgins (Liberal). Disqualification is sought.

CREMATED THROUGH SMOKING.

Niagara Falls, Ont., Dec. 5.—William Alliott, a hermit who lived alone with a dog in a hut near here, has been cremated. He was an inviterate smoker, and is supposed to have set the shack afire while smoking in bed.

BIG IRON MERGER.

Hamilton, Ont., Dec. 5.—The Canadian Iron Foundry Company has been bought by an $8,000,000 merger which will be known as the Canadian Iron Corporation. The new company has taken over a number of iron plants in Canada, including the Canada car wheel works at Montreal, and the works at Three Rivers, Fort William, St. Thomas and Londonderry.

WARLIKE RUMORS IN EUROPE

AUSTRIA SENDS TROOPS TO REINFORCE CATTARO

Dual Monarchy Preparing to Offset Martial Preparations of Montenegro.

Vienna, Dec. 5.—Two steamers of the Hungarian-Croatian line with troops aboard left Fiume to-day under sealed orders. Two other steamers will follow to-morrow. It is supposed that their destination is Cattar, a seaport of Austria on the Adriatic, contiguous to Montenegrin territory.

Warlike rumors continue in circulation but on official denials to-day prices on the Bourse advanced considerably. An optimistic feeling prevails in official circles.

With reference to a reported frontier fight between Hungarians and Montenegrins at Bilek, in which it was alleged that a Hungarian, Lieut. Treitler, had been killed, the government last night made an absolute denial of the reports. It explains that Trietler committed suicide owing to a love affair.

PEACE AMONG TEAMSTERS.

Chicago, Ills., Dec. 5.—Peace in the ranks of the organized teamsters is said to be assured by the amalgamation, after a split of two years duration, of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters and the United Teamsters of America, which is announced to-day.

HALLETT IS RELEASED.

Winnipeg, Man., Dec. 5.—J. Hallett, brought back from Toronto, charged with the death of Miss Poison, who was run over and killed a few weeks ago, has been released.

ALBERTA LAND SEEKERS.

Calgary, Dec. 5.—Messrs. Crapo and Robinson, of Parker, Idaho, land agents of the Canadian Pacific Irrigation Colonization Company, are in the city with a party of land seekers.

G. T. P. WANTS POWER TO INCREASE CAPITAL

Application During Coming Session of Parliament—Grand Trunk Debentures.

(Special to the Times).

Ottawa, Dec. 5.—The Grand Trunk Pacific gives notice that it will apply to parliament during the coming session for power to issue further bonds or perpetual or terminable debenture stock. The amount is not specified.

The Grand Trunk gives notice of its intention to ask the right to issue additional consolidated debenture stock and four per cent guarantee stock.

INJURY TO A. HAGGART.

Winnipeg, Man., Dec. 5.—Alex. Haggart, M. P. elect, is very restless. His broken shoulder blade, the result of a fall, is paining him severely.

DOMINION REVENUE.

Ottawa, Ont., Dec. 5.—The revenue was $6,567,000, a decrease of $1,500,000 compared with last year. The falling off was principally in the customs. For eight months the revenue was $55,000,000, the total decrease being $11,500,000, chiefly in the customs.

SIMCOE SHOOTING AFFAIR.

Simcoe, Ont., Dec. 5.—Constable Williams, the victim of murderous shooting on Monday night, is expected to recover, though none of the four bullets have been extracted. Chief Constable Maloney is suspected of the crime.

BOARDER'S REVENGE.

Woman Fatally Injured in Hoboken Lodging House.

Hoboken, N. J., Dec. 5.—Shot four times in evident mistake for her sister, Mrs. Leneasay, whom she was visiting in her boarding house here, Miss Annie Turner, was removed from her sister's home to St. Mary's hospital in a dying condition yesterday. Stanislaus Leuman, a boarder who had been requested to leave, was arrested for the shooting.

EXPLOSION IN SCHOOL.

Winnipeg Children Escape From Building With Expedition.

Winnipeg, Dec. 5.—A triumph of discipline was accomplished at the Machray school yesterday. Owing presumably to the heat of the building, a bottle of methylated spirits in one of the rooms exploded. The word was immediately given for the children to go outside, and the first alarm was rung in. It took ust one minutes and ten seconds for the last child to leave the building, which was nearly two minutes before the arrival of the brigade. Fortunately nothing caught fire from the explosion, and there was nothing for the firemen to do on their arrival.

TO INDUCE HINDUS TO EMIGRATE

(Special to the Times).

Winnipeg, Man., Dec. 5.—Col. Swayne wires he is in Ottawa on his way to Vancouver to induce the Hindus in British Columbia to emigrate to Honduras, where is is governor. Col. Swayne led three expeditions against the Mad Mullah. He was sixteen years in India.

TO IMPROVE WELLAND CANAL.

(Special to the Times)

St. Catharines, Ont., Dec. 5.—The Board of Trade will unite with the Kingston board in an appeal to the government to have the enlargement and improvement of the Welland Canal undertaken without further delay.

GERMANY'S POLICY IN THE FAR EAST

Reported Agreement With Japan in Course of Arrangement.

London, Dec. 5.—The Morning Post's Shanghai correspondent says that the Chinese Foreign Board has learned that Germany and Japan purpose to conclude an agreement relating to the Far East.

The Morning Post suggests editorially that the report of its Shanghai correspondent be accepted with caution.

Officially Denied.

Berlin, Dec. 5.—The report that Germany and Japan purpose to conclude an agreement concerning China, similar in terms to the American-Japanese understanding, is without foundation. It was said at the foreign office to-day that neither country had taken any steps looking to such negotiations, and that it was improbable that anything of the kind would occur at least in the near future, as Germany had no intention of submitting a proposal.

POLITICIANS INDICTED.

Chicago, Dec. 5.—Startling allegations were made yesterday in the report of the special grand jury, which, after several weeks of delving into charges growing out of Chicago's first primaries, returned 81 indictments against two scores or more of politicians and other persons. The investigation, owing to physical limitations, merely scratched the surface of the situation, according to the report, and doubt is expressed that there has been an honest city or general election in Chicago for years.

SENTENCED FOR A "JOKE."

Hamilton Men Must Serve Time For Tampering With Ballot Boxes.

Hamilton, Ont., Dec. 5.—Harry Dillabaugh and Wm. Lawson, charged with tampering with the baloit boxes at the federal elections, were found guilty by Justices Anglin and Clute. Dillabaugh gets four months, and Lawson two months. The men claimed the affair was a joke.

CONTRADICTORY REPORTS ABOUT REVOLUTION

San Salvadorean Revolutionists Said to Have Captured Three Cities.

San Salvador, Dec. 5.—In no single instance have the revolutionists had the semblance of success. The rebellion that started early this week was immediately and completely put down. The country generally is quiet and the usual order is being maintained. Popular opinion seems to be on the side of President Figueroa in the controversy.

"Cities Captured."

Managua, Nicaragua, Dec. 5.—A revolution has begun in Salvador under the leadership of former Vice-President Prudencio Alfaro.

The cities of Ahuachapo, Usulutan and Santana have been captured by the revolutionists.

WESTINGHOUSE AFFAIRS.

Pittsburg, Pa., Dec. 5.—The receivers of the Westinghouse Electric & Manufacturing Company and the Sureties Investment Company were discharged in the United States circuit court by Judge James S. Young. No accounts of the receivers are required to be filed by the order of the court.

LUMBERMEN MAY CONVENE.

Calgary, Dec. 5.—The local board of trade is in receipt of a letter from the Mountain Lumbermen's Association, of Nelson, B. C. The association is taking up the matter of holding a lumbermen's convention in Calgary in February next.

CAPITAL OF $17,000,000.

Winnipeg, Man., Dec. 5.—The Winnipeg Union Stock Yards Company has been incorporated with a capital of $17,000,000, the directors being A. M. Nation, J. D. Meenson, J. A. M. Aikin, W. Harvey, Winnipeg, and Darcy Tait, of Montreal.

POLICY NEEDED FOR PUBLICITY

TOURIST ASSOCIATION OUTLINES SITUATION

Council Urged to Adopt Continuous Plan for Advertising City.

The financial situation of the Tourist Association was placed before the members of the city council last evening by a deputation of prominent business men, representing the executive association and the committee recently named by the board of trade to consider matters relating to the development of the Island.

The executive were present on the invitation of the council in order to confer as to a general scheme of continuing the work of the association, and also to devise some means of tiding over the interval between the close of the year and the striking of the estimates for 1909. It was urged on the council that unless the exceedingly valuable work which the association has been able to do for the city is to be allowed to lapse the council must come to its assistance financially.

In view of the large amount of travel to the Pacific coast, which is expected next year in connection with the holding of the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific exposition in Seattle, it was pointed out that no effort should be spared to place the Tourist Association in a position to effectively carry on its campaign of publicity among these visitors, who will come from every part of the continent. The appropriation made by the city for the work of the association this year has been exhausted, and by the time next year's council deals with the estimates it will be too late for the association to resume its work.

The gathering could not be called a conference, although it was supposed to be one. The talking was all on one side. Business men who have given their time freely to this work told the council what they thought should be done—and then the council promised "careful consideration," and said good-night.

There were present: A. W. McCurdy, George Carter, John Nelson, Alexander Peden, C. H. Lugrin, Colonel E. G. Prior, Herbert Kent, H. Goldie Wilson, C. Pendray and W. T. Williams.

The Work Done This Year.

A report on the year's work, prepared by the honorary secretary, John Nelson, was submitted. It was as follows:

"Gentlemen,—As the year is almost at an end and our tenure of office about to close, I take the opportunity of placing before you, in as brief a form as possible the nature of the work carried on by us this season.

"You will recall that it was late in the spring (April 24th, 1908), before we knew what sum the city council would be able to place at our disposal. Owing to the unexpected and extraordinary demands made upon them, the city fathers, when they finally struck their estimates, were able to place to our credit only $4,000. With back accounts to the amount of over $500 to settle it was at once obvious that we could not, with such an inadequate sum continue our affairs on the basis upon which they were formerly conducted. The difficulties which later presented themselves compelled us to abandon the idea of securing proper assistance, and we were forced to decide between allowing the association to lapse or undertaking the work voluntarily for this year. This course was finally adopted in the hope that by 1909 an adequate appropriation for our work would be available and the city would be placed in the position of taking advantage of the opportunities for publicity which the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific exposition at Seattle next year will afford.

"These being the conditions the work has been prosecuted by the executive and a small clerical staff, and although in many ways unsatisfactory, good results have been attained.

Covered the Continent.

"Ten thousand new and revised 'Outposts of Empire' and 30,000 'Impressions' have been printed, a good proportion circulated at grand lodge and firemen's gatherings, at exhibitions in the Canadian middle west, but principally through the medium of reply to enquiries through the post office. These later were sent out as a result of advertisements in the American middle west and northwest, in Canada, and to a limited degree in the Old Country. We spent about $500 in this way. During the summer holidays an effective campaign was carried on from the Mississippi westward, in the cities of St. Paul, Helena, Butte, Anaconda, Denver, Salt Lake City, Spokane and Portland. In the interior of Washington and Oregon a campaign was also conducted in the smaller places, and the whole series was productive of many enquiries. Each enquirer was asked to send five cents to pay for postage on any booklets he wished, and in this way we kept the enquiries down to a bona fide basis.

"Throughout Canada a similar campaign was waged from Winnipeg west, and in Toronto and Montreal newspapers and magazines. In England four or five similar mediums were employed, all with good results. During the life of the advertising from eight to ten letters therefrom were daily received and answered.

"Visitors to the rooms during the summer averaged from twelve to twenty per day.

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—New York World

GIRL MUST GIVE BACK ENGAGEMENT RING

Windsor Court Bases Decision on Judgment in Reign of Charles II.

Windsor, Ont., Dec. 5.—In the case of Bellemare, the druggist who sued Miss Whiteley for the return of a diamond ring given as pledge of bethrothal which was subsequently pawned by the girl, the court has decided that the ring must be returned to the plaintiff, basing its decision upon the judgment in the English court in the reign of Charles II.

SENSATION FOLLOWS HERMIT WOMAN'S DEATH

Valuables Disappear in Mysterious Fashion From Philadelphia Residence.

New York, Dec. 5.—A special dispatch to the Herald from Philadelphia says:

Jewelery valued at $75,000, a copy of an old masterpiece valued at $15,000, Paris gowns and opera cloaks are included in the valuables reported missing from the residence of the late Mrs. George Wood, who was found dead on October 13th, in her home at 1239 North Broad street.

Mrs. Wood lived alone and she died alone. She was eccentric. Though she had hosts of friends and acquaintnaces she spent her days and nights in the big gloomy house unattended. On October 31st this house, so Mrs. Wood's friends say, was the scene of confusion, strangers tramped through the rooms and valuable were piled up and taken away. The mystery of the missing valuables may never be cleared up unless action is taken up by the city which falls heir to part of the estate, or the Catholic church and the various charities mentioned as heirs in the will.

Died in Solitude.

Philadelphia, Pa., Dec. 5.—The police of this city, who have been notified that jewelry, valuable furs and art treasures, variously estimated at $50,000 to $75,000 in value, which disappeared from the home of the late Mrs. George Wood, since her death on October 13th, claimed to-day that if the many articles alleged to be missing were taken from the house, they were not carried off by persons who make stealing a business.

The alleged disappearance of the valuables has created a small sensation among Mrs. Woods' friends. The dead woman was sixty years old and was the widow of George Woods, a former American manager of a foreign insurance company. Her handsome home was well furnished and contained treasures gathered from at home and abroad.

Mrs. Woods was found dead in a chair at her home and the cororer's physician assigned heart disease as the cause. There was no one in the house when she died.

The will left by her appointed the Guard Trust Company, and two women friends as executors of the estate, and when it came to the distribution of the beneficiaries many articles mentioned in the will were found missing. It is not alleged that the articles were stolen as there is no positive evidence that the things had not been disposed of during the lifetime of the woman. It was a peculiarity of Mrs. Woods that her things were kept in great confusion. Since her death valuable ornaments have been found hidden away in trunks, tucked behind furniture, and poked in out of the way corners. The police are firm in their belief that the alleged missing articles were not carried away by professional thieves. They further declare that Mrs. Woods' wealth was largely imaginary and that she was in debt when she died

W. T. R. PRESTON SUES FOR LIBEL

HE BASES ACTION ON COLONIST ARTICLES

Canadian Trade Commissioner in Japan Institutes Proceedings.

News has been received from Japan that W. T. R. Preston, trade commissioner, representing Canada in that country, has instituted actions for libel against the Japan Herald and the Kobe Chronicle, papers published in English. The ground of action lies in the publication of statements relative to Mr. Preston, published by those papers and copied from the Colonist of this city.

Mr. Preston has considered the articles so scandalous in character that he immediately took legal proceedings and had a writ for libel issued.

Mr. Preston at some length has explained his position through the press of Japan on the charges leveled against him, some time ago. He denies that he is antagonistic to the foreign commercial community of Japan, but denounces the policy of certain papers in Japan, printed in English, to belittle everything that is Japanese and thus stir up animosity on the part of that people.

As interested in promoting Canadian trade he says he has advised and will continue to so advise that Canadian merchantile interests should be "kept our of this maelstrom."

LIGHTING ON TRAINS.

Railway Commission Provides For Inspection of Cars.

Ottawa, Dec. 5.—An order issued by the railway commission specifies that henceforth only Pintsch compressed oil gas, or acetylene gas, under the absorbent or commercial acetylene system, shall be used for the lighting of passenger cars on all Canadian railways.

Provision is made for the inspection of cars to insure obedience to the order, and fines will be exacted for infractions.

Two or three exceptions to the order are made. The use of electricity is not prohibited, and the order will not affect cars where lamps using mineral or seal oil are installed.

COAL OIL VICTIMS.

Manitoba Government Offers $1,000 Reward For Information Respecting Guilty Parties.

Winnipeg, Dec. 5.—Following the verdict by the corner's jury on the deaths caused by coal oil explosions, the attorney's-general's department yesterday announced that a reward of $1,000 would be paid to any person giving information that would lead to the conviction of the guilty parties. This action, it is to be hoped, will be the means of opening up some new lines of evidence.

SCOTCH MECHANICS DEPORTED.

Men Who Came to Fill Places of C. P. R. Strikers Could Find no Work.

Winnipeg, Man., Dec. 5.—Twenty Scotch mechanics who came out to fill the places of strikers in the C. P. R. shops were sent home to-night by the company. Orders came from the government at Ottawa that the men had to be returned home. They have been out of work since the strike ended.

PLAYWRIGHT IS DIVORCED.

Cleveland, Ohio, Dec. 5.—Mrs. Elizabeth Johnson Marianis, daughter of Mayor Tom L. Johnson, has obtained a divorce from Frederick Marianis, of New York, a playwright.

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YOONIA TEA, per lb. ..... 45c.
TETLEY'S LOOSE TEA, 4 lbs. for $1.00
COFFEE—GENUINE FRENCH, 1 lb. glass jar ..... 50c.
COFFEE — CHASE & SANBORN'S, 1 lb. tin ..... 40c.
COCOA—VAN HOUTEN'S, ½ lb. tin, 25c.; ¼ lb. tin, 50c.; 1 lb. tin ..... 90c.
COCOA—BAKER'S, ½ lb. tin. 30c.
FIGS—NEW CALIFORNIA, 4 lbs. for ..... 25c.
FIGS—TABLE SMYRNA, 12½c. per lb.; 10-lb. box $1.00
TOMATOES—TARTAN BRAND, 2 large tins ..... 25c.
CORN, PEAS OR BEANS, per tin ..... 10c.
Compare the quality of Tartan Brand with that of the cheap stuff being sold.
LARD—Pure, 3-lb. tin ..... 50c.
ALBERTA DAIRY BUTTER, a nice lot just in, per lb. ..... 25c.
SAPOLIO, per pkt. ..... 10c.
PEARLINE, large pkts., 2 for 25c.
BAKING POWDER—MAGIC, 12-oz. tin, 20c.; 5-lb. tin ..... 90c.
BAKING POWDER—ROYAL OR DR. PRICE'S, 12-oz. tin ..... 40c.
PICKLES—TRAVERS' ENGLISH CHOW CHOW OR MIXED, large 18-oz. bottle ..... 15c.
WORCESTER SAUCE—TRAVERS', ½ pint bottles, 3 for .. 25c.
WORCESTER SAUCE—LEA & PERRIN'S, ½ pint bottle, 35c.; 1 pint bottle ..... 60c.
CURRANTS, cleaned, 3 lbs. for ..... 25c.
RAISINS, seeded, new, 16-oz. pkt. ..... 16c.
SULTANA RAISINS, new, per lb. ..... 10c.
MIXED PEEL—ENGLISH, per lb. ..... 15c.
SHELLED WALNUTS, per lb... ..... 40c.
SHELLED ALMONDS, per lb. 40c.
MIXED NUTS, new, per lb., 20c.
CRYSTALIZED FRUIT, mixed, ½ lb. box, 40c.; 1 lb. box ..... 65c.
We have no old stock left over from last Xmas to run off.
FLUID BEEF—JOHNSON'S, 16-oz. bottle ..... 60c.
PINEAPPLE, 1½-lb. cans, 2 for ..... 25c.
M'LAREN'S CHEESE, per jar.. ..... 25c. and 50c.

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SEDITION IN INDIA.

It is time, says the London Daily Telegraph, to face the truth and to steel ourselves for as hard a task of its kind as any people has ever had to execute. India is now what it is likely to remain, the most disaffected part of our own or any other Empire. It presents a problem which will prove manageable if we are unflinching, and will become appalling if we are weak. There have been increasing signs of late that the greatest of our difficulties in India are created by what we may call the invisible opposition. Our most obstinate and dangerous antagonists are the women behind the purdah, and the problem will tax our thought and patience for years. But nothing will prosper with us in India neither better educational effort nor the extension of representative institutions—unless we show, and speedily, our unflinching readiness to close with active sedition and to crush it without compunction.

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PETITION FILED IN NANAIMO ELECTION

Ralph Smith's Election Has Been Protested by Conservatives.

A petition has been filed with the registrar of the supreme court against the election of Ralph Smith, M. P., for the Dominion riding of Nanaimo. It has been known for some time that this step was contemplated by the Conservatives if any protest was filed in the city case, and sure enough it was all ready for presentation as soon as the petition against G. H. Barnard's election had been filed.

Barnard and Robertson are the lawyers acting in the case and the papers were filed by H. B. Robertson, who put up the customary deposit. The petitioner is F. M. Rattenbury, and makes the general allegations of irregularities.

COUNTY COURT.

Cases That Will Come Up For Hearing at Next Sitting.

The December term of the County court opens on Monday, and there are twenty-two cases down for hearing. In addition to adjourned cases and judgment summonses there are the following new cases set down:

Frank Crompton vs. B. C. Electric Co.—An action for $1,000 damages for an electric shock received while sawing wood in the cellar of his residence, the saw coming in contact with a lighting wire. The defence is that the accident was the result of palintiff's negligence or was an unavoidable accident. J. A. Aikman, for plaintiff; McPhillips & Heisterman, for defendants.

C. P. R. vs. Oliphant.—An action for $101.94, balance alleged to be due on a freight bill through a lower rate having been charged than should have been. G. A. McMullen, for company; McPhillips & Hesterman, for defendant.

Victoria Machinery Depot vs. Joseph Suatras, master of steamer Delta.—An action for $155 for goods supplied. Sydney Child, for plaintiff; Moresby & O'Reilly, for defendant.

Jay & Garrard vs. Sutton.—A suit for $500, amount of a cheque given in payment for lands and stopped at the bank. Defendant claims that plaintiffs did not carry out their agreement, and counter claims for $140. Barnard & Robertson, for plaintiffs; McPhillips & Heisterman, for defendant.

Youlden vs. Tulk.—Action for $17 by a waitress for wages, defendant pleading no agreement, and that plaintiff left in the middle of the month without notice. Bradshaw & Davie for plaintiff; George Morphy, for defendant.

Wetenhall vs. Brackman & Ker.—A suit for $300 damages for breach of contract, defendants denying any agreement. C. J. Prior, for plaintiff; Barnard & Robertson, for defendants.

Richard vs. Kynaston.—Action for $480.45 for work done and material supplied for a building. The account is disputed and $500 of a counter claim filed. J. A. Aikman, for plaintiff; A. J. Kitto, for defendant.

B. C. Marine Railway Co. vs. Stewart & McEachren.—Action to recover $200 secured by a bond given to the sheriff in a replevin action. Eberts & Taylor, for plaintiffs; McMiff & Bird, Vancouver, for defendants.

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BARGE FOUNDERS; SEVEN ARE DROWNED

Shelbourne, N. S., Dec. 5.—The loss of oil barge No. 10, and seven members of her crew was reported here to-day by the tug John Hughes. The Hughes reported that while proceeding in tow from Boston for Halifax, the barge foundered off Seal Island on Thursday.

SALVED U. S. CRUISER SINKS AT ANCHORAGE

Warship Yankee, Floated From Reef, Meets With Worse Mishap.

New Bedford, Mass., Dec. 5.—The United States cruiser Yankee, which was floated yesterday after having been aground on a reef at the western entrance to Buzzards Bay, several weeks ago, sank early to-day off Penikese Island. The 150 members of the crew were landed safely.

The Yankee was proceeding under tow to this city, accompanied by the naval collier Lebanon and two tugs. It was intended, as soon as the cruiser had been freed from the reef to tow her to New York, but a nasty southeast gale made such a plan impracticable and the cruiser and her convoys started for this port. When darkness set in, the officer in charge of the cruiser deemed it imprudent to proceed further, inasmuch as the Lebanon draws more than twenty feet of water and it was thought that it would be hazardous to bring a vessel of such draught into New Bedford after dark. The Yankee was then towed to an anchorage in the lee of Penikez island.

It was about 7 a. m. when the Yankee went down. Although no details were available at 8:30 a. m., it was understood that the vessel had turned turtle. She is reported to have sunk in fairly shallow water with her funnels showing above the surface, and it was thought that she could be raised again.

The sinking of the Yankee was the termination of an unfortunate cruise from Newport to the neighborhood of Martha's Vineyard to attend the submarine flotilla in their fall manoeuvres. While on her way from Cuttyhunk to Newport for a supply of coal, the Yankee struck on Spindle rocks at the western entrance to Buzzard's bay during a thick fog on September 23rd. After persistent efforts by the government to free the cruiser had failed, John Arbuckle, the New York sugar refiner believed that he could float the vessel by use of compressed air. He offered his services and a contract was made between Mr. Arbuckle and the navy department, by the terms of which the former was to get $87,500 if he floated the Yankee, while if he failed, he was to receive $25,000 as part payment for his services. A long difficult task was presented, but yesterday the Yankee was floated. Up to the time when the cruiser foundered to-day, Commander Charles Marsh had left her deck but once, and on that occasion he went to Newport to consult with naval officials on the plans for saving the vessel.

How She Sank.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 5.—Commander Marsh, in command of the Yankee, to-day advised the navy department of the sinking of the vessel after it had been raised and was en route from the Hen and Chickens' reef, to New Bedford.

"After floating," he says, "the ship had a list to starboard which increased until a broken berth deck air port flooded the compressor room and fire room. The ship listed steadily and sank deeper. I was on the open deck and all hands were sent away in tugs and we had no casualties, the ship settling in 62 feet of water. The wrecking company will renew operations at once."

A committee will be appointed to establish the responsibility of Commander Marsh or other officers of the Yankee, for the accident.

—Application is to be made at the next session of the legislature for an act to incorporate a company to be called the Victoria & Barclay Sound Railway Company to build from this city by way of Otter Point and San Juan to Barclay Sound, near the Sarita River.

First Presbyterian Church

WEDNESDAY EV'G., DEC. 9

Mendelssohn Oratorio "ST. PAUL"

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WM. SCOWCROFT,
Hon. Sec.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that application will be made to the Parliament of Canada, at the next Session thereof, for an Act to incorporate a Company to be named "The Victoria and Barclay Sound Railway Company," with all powers, rights and privileges necessary and expedient for the construction, equipment and operation of a line of railway from Victoria, by way of Otter Point and San Juan, to a point on Barclay Sound near Sarita River, such railway to be declared to be for the general advantage of Canada.

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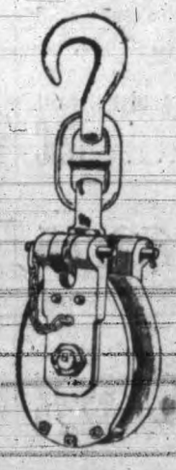

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LOCAL ARTISTS IN ORATORIO

MENDELSSOHN'S "ST. PAUL" TO BE GIVEN WEDNESDAY

Masterpiece Will Be Sung in First Presbyterian Church.

Next Wednesday evening in the First Presbyterian chuch, Mendelssohn's oratorio "St. Paul" will be presented for the first time in Canada west of Toronto. This magnificent oratorio is considered by many to be the great musician's best composition. While Mendelssohn, like all other composers, follows Handel in construction, there is an originality and beauty about all his music that captivates and enthralls all who listen. The story of "St. Paul" is one that is familiar to all. With such a grand and stirring theme Mendelssohn has woven one of the most inspiring and dramatic works the world has ever known.

In deciding to give this oratorio with local artists for the principal parts, J. G. Brown, the conductor, has shown his faith in the ability of Victoria vocalists and, from former efforts under his baton, the musical public who attend the performance will not be disappointed.

Mrs. W. Gregson, who assumes the work of the soprano solos, has been the leading soprano in First Presbyterian church choir of this city for some ten or twelve years, and has a voice of great purity and brilliancy. Oratorio music is her forte, and learning her work under such capable masters of music as Mrs. Haslam and Professor Torrington of Toronto, cannot fail to succeed.

Mrs. Gideon Hicks, who is to sing the contralto numbers, has very little to do, but that will be done as only a true artist can do it. Mrs. Hicks has trained as an elocutionist, as well as a vocalist the latter under Miss Edith J. Miller, at the Conservatory of Music, Toronto, and the former at the Presbyterian Ladies' College in the same city.

J. Scott Ross, choirmaster of Knox Presbyterian church, Spring Ridge, and only recently come to this city, is a tenor vocalist of some repute, and will no doubt add to his reputation.

J. Petch, tenor soloist, is a young singer of merit, possessed of a voice of good quality, somewhat light, but of excellent range. He comes of a very musical family, received most of his musical training in Victoria, and has taken princpal parts in several operas, etc. Mr. Petch's efforts on this occasion will be watched with interest, this being his debut in oratorio.

Robert Morrison, who assumes the part of Paul, has by far the most arduous task of all the soloists. Mr. Morrison received his musical education in Scotland under the tuition of George Watson, Aberdeen (now resident in Toronto.) Mr. Morrison while a comparative youth entered and won two years in succession, 1905-1906, the gold medal for solo singing at the Northern Counties of Scotland contest. He also held the position of baritone soloist during his membership in the Banffshire select choir. Since coming to Victoria Mr. Morrison has been bass soloist at the First Presbyterian church, and is well known throughout the city and province for his singing of Scottish and other ballads. The part of Paul will tax the ability of any soloist, but the splendid quality and flexibility of his voice and the ripened experience of recent years will enable Mr. Morrison to do full justice to the noble, inspiring, and dramatic part he has essayed.

Mrs. Lewis Hall, who is to preside at the piano, hardly needs any reference in this connection, her ability as a pianist and accompanist having been demonstrated again and again. Many will remember the splendid work done by her in the oratorios "Judas Maccabaeus" and "Samson." As an accompanist she is unexcelled and rarely equalled. During the rehearsals for this work Mrs. Hall has been devotion itself, never sparing herself if required for solo, quartette, part practice or general rehearsals were to be held. Mrs. Hall received her training at the hands of the well-known musician and composer, Ambrose, who died very recently. Mrs. Hall will no doubt acquit herself on this occasion as on previous ones with credit to herself and with benefit to all.

G. J. Burnett, organist of St. John's church in this city, who will have charge of the organ, is a distinguished musician of whom all Victorians are proud. He is, besides being a widely known organist, a composer of note, many beautiful sacred songs having been given to the world of music by him, as well as anthems, quartettes, duets, etc. Mr. Burnett is a Fellow of London College of Music and pupil of Professor R. K. Toms, R.A.M. It is needless to say his work will be performed with marked ability and conscientiousness.

Miss Harris and Miss Cocker, with Mrs. Gregson and Mrs. Hicks, will compose the ladies' quartette. Miss Harris is a daughter of Mrs. Dennis Harris, who at one time was very prominent in musical circles in Victoria. Miss Cocker is a comparatively recent arrival in the city and has already made a splendid reputation for herself as a contralto soloist.

W. McDonald, who is posessed of a fine bass voice, takes the second bass part in the duet for two basses with Mr. Morrison.

The conductor, Mr. Brown, upon whom rests the responsibility of the whole work, needs no mention as to his ability either as a conductor or soloist. Mr. Brown has given evidence of his ability in the former line of work by his production of "Judas Maccabaeus," "Samson," "Rebecca," "May Queen," "Maid of Lorn," and a dozen other works of more or less note. He has been choirmaster of First Presbyterian church for nearly twenty-one years. He received his musical education in the city of Glasgow, has a wide experience in choral music, both sacred and secular, and is peculiarly fitted for the position of conductor, being a first class organizer and possessed of unlimited patience and tact.

Mr. Brown has gathered around him a chorus of 120 splendid voices. The rehearsals from first to last have been well attended and the watchword has been "work," with the result that in just two months, from October 7th last, when rehearsals began, this magnificent oratorio is almost ready for presentation. Only the final rehearsal is to be held next Tuesday night, when the last touches will be given to an almost perfect work. All who desire to hear the grandest and most sublime music of all music, should attend the First Presbyterian church next Wednesday evening.

GUN-A-NOOT SPENDS TIME TRAPPING

Indian Friends Keep Fugitive Supplied With Food and Ammunition.

New Westminster, Dec. 4.—Gun-a-Noot, the fugitive Indian murderer of the North, is reported to be camped for the winter in the vicinity of Fort Connelly on Bear Lake, about 100 miles northeast of Hazelton, on the old Hazelton-Fort Graham and Findlay River trail. Gun-a-Noot is spending his time trapping, having a regular Indian trapper's district with his fellow fugitive, Simeon, on the next trapping post, some 50 miles north. Indian friends are seeing that necessary supplies of flour, ammunition, etc., reach the men and are selling their furs for them and their presence in the district is pretty well known among the Indians.

Such is the report brought down by Bert Glassey, a Findlay River prospector and miner, who arrived in New Westminster yesterday, and who intends informing the provincial police department of Gun-a-Noot's whereabouts.

The fugitives' retreat is in a country most difficult for white men to travel across with speed or certainty, it is wild and cut up with mountains, rivers, lakes and dense timber growth. Bear Lake, upon which Fort Connelly is located, is near the head waters of the Skeena, about midway between Hazelton and the Findlay river and is in the northern part of the Babine country. It is considered improbable that the arrest of the fugitives could be effected in the country by ordinary means as nature affords every possible opportunity for escape, and as travel would of necessity be slow, Indians could easily send word ahead of the advent of any officers or suspicious white men in the district and thus give the fugitives timely warning. In order to effect the arrest or even catch sight of the men those who know the country assert that the greatest strategy will have to be exercised.

CAPTAIN BALDWIN ACQUITTED.

Vancouver, Dec. 4.—Capt. Baldwin, charged with stealing a gasoline launch from Stanley Crawford, of this city, was acquitted by Judge Grant on speedy trial yesterday afternoon.

The evidence showed that Capt. Baldwin entered into negotiations with Mr. Crawford to purchase the launch, and had been allowed to go to the boathouse to try it. He had taken it south on a trial trip without leave from the owner, and it was seized by the customs authorities in Everett. His defence was that he had intended to bring it back if there had been no seizure.

The court held that the charge was not proved, and ordered the release of the prisoner.

LEFT FAT; BACK SLENDER.

By "FOOTLIGHTS."

Glau and his overweight chorus from the "Aeroplane" company have returned to New York in what may be described as greatly reduced circumstances. Not as to finances, let it be said, nor yet in numbers, glory be, but in avoirdupois—that is to say, gross flesh. The entire galaxy has lost out in this respect, much to its advantage.

It seems the people out west will support slim ballerinos, and no other, and our famous "balloon chorus" carried, so to speak, no weight with them. They treated that prize collection of fat New York beauties with an unprecedented coldness. Consequently, Glau faced the problem of reducing the entire front and rear rows at once, or shipping them back—"excess" baggage. It was a terrific job, as all who saw the "Aeroplane" before it left this tolerant town will admit, but our ingenious townsman tackled it and succeeded—broke all records, in fact. And thereby hangs a tale worthy of any fat lady's attention.

Glau didn't rehearse his flock into shape, nor starve them into line, nor yet worry them, verbally, into shadows. He paid salaries regularly and let them eat and drink as they listed. He simply hung up a new rule in the dressing-rooms to the effect that every lady less than five foot seven who weighed in excess of 150 pounds must take a teaspoonful after each meal and at bedtime (or about where her bedtime ought to be), of the following: One-half ounce Marmola, ¾ ounce Fluid Extract Cascara Aromatic, and 4¾ ounces Peppermint Water.

They did it and in a month averaged a loss of a pound a day apiece. "That's a dandy receipt," says Glau. "Simple, pleasant, harmless and a worker from the word 'go.' Wish I could get a railroad rate reducer half as good."

LAID AT REST.

Funeral of the Late Reeve Paterson at New Westminster.

New Westminster, Dec. 4.—In accordance with the last wishes of the late John A. Paterson, reeve of Delta municipality, the remains were yesterday interred in the I. O. O. F. cemetery in this city, services being conducted at St. Andrew's church and the graveside by Rev. W. M. White, of Ladner, assisted by Rev. J. S. Henderson. The funeral was very largely attended by relatives and the many friends of the deceased both from the city and district, and large quantities of flowers covered the grave. The pallbearers were all residents of Delta and close friends of the deceased: H. N. Rich, N. A. McDiarmid, R. McKee, J. B. Elliott, J. Honeyman, W. Smellie.

TROUBLED WITH STOMACH FOR SEVEN YEARS.

I Doctored With Six Different Physicians.

I Gave Up All Hopes of Ever Being Cured.

I Am Now Like a New Man, Thanks to Pe-ru-na and Man-a-lin.

At least one person in ten has some stomach difficulty. This is only one way to say, that there are a vast multitude of people in this country who are suffering from ailments directly due to a deranged stomach.

The bustle and hurry of American life is mainly to blame for this. Rapid eating, worry and anxiety after eating, is sure to bring on stomach difficulty sooner or later.

Those who suffer from stomach derangement ought to know of Peruna. Peruna rarely fails to bring relief, and in some cases the restoration is almost magical.

The testimonial of Mr. George H. Simser, of Grant, Ontario, Canada, is a fair sample of the sort of testimonials Dr. Hartman is receiving concerning Peruna as a remedy for stomach ailments.

Mr. George H. Simser, Grant, Ont., Can., writes:

"I was troubled with my stomach for about seven years.

"I doctored with six different doctors. Some of them seemed to help me at the time, but failed to cure me. Some said it was cancer of the liver, others said it was dyspepsia or indigestion.

"Last fall I suffered so much that I gave up all hopes of ever being cured. I had headache, toothache, and lots of other troubles too numerous to mention.

"At that time, my wife was taking Peruna and Manalin and she urged me to try them. I took them, but without the least faith.

"After a week or so I felt a great deal better, so I continued to use them.

"After I had taken two bottles of Peruna and half a bottle of Manalin, I felt real well.

"I am now like a new man, thanks to Peruna and Manalin."

Dyspepsia for Twenty Years.

Mr. Sidney Wessels, Merritton, Ontario, Canada, writes:

"I have been troubled with dyspepsia and indigestion for twenty years, during which time I tried different doctors, but did not get the desired results.

"I have been compelled for weeks at a time to give up work, being completely prostrated. I had to confine myself to a milk diet, as nothing would remain on my stomach.

"I had about given up, thinking my case incurable, when I heard of Peruna and decided to try it.

"One bottle made a great change and after using another bottle of this wonderful medicine, I had complete freedom from pain, my appetite had returned and I could again enjoy my meals.

"I believe Peruna is the grandest medicine under the sun.

"To-day I weigh over two hundred and twenty-five pounds. Is it any wonder that I praise Peruna?"

Catarrh of Stomach.

Rev. J. T. Peeler, Hendersonville, South Carolina, writes:

"I desire to make known for the benefit of suffering humanity my experience with Peruna.

"I was afflicted with catarrh of the stomach, and though I tried several remedies and applied to several doctors, it was all in vain.

"Had it not been for Peruna I believe I would have been in my grave to-day.

"I have every reason to believe that Peruna is the greatest remedy for catarrh known to the world. Therefore I have been, and shall continue to recommend it to those who are unwell."

Remedy for Colds.

Mr. P. Nauschuetz, 221 Sharpstown, San Antonio, Texas, writes: "About a year ago I was troubled with catarrh, and could hardly find help until I took Peruna, which soon brought me relief. It is the best remedy for colds I ever found."

Other Cases of Stomach Trouble.

MR. H. J. HENNEMAN, Oakland, Neb., writes:

"I waited before writing to you about my sickness, catarrh of the stomach, which I had over a year ago.

"There were people who told me it would not stay cured, but I am sure that I am cured, for I do not feel any more ill effects, have a good appetite and am getting fat. So I am, and will say to all, I am cured for good.

"I thank you for your kindness.

"Peruna will be our house medicine hereafter."

MR. H. W. NAGEL, 63 Church St., Meriden, Conn., writes:

"For several years I had been troubled with catarrh of the stomach.

"After trying about everything else, I was advised to try Peruna.

"I could not eat any solid food for some time; now I can eat most anything that comes along.

"I have taken several bottles of Peruna and Manalin and am entirely cured. I heartily recommend Peruna and Manalin to every sufferer of catarrh.

"I thank you for your kind advice."

MR. CALEB H. BORTELL, Police Officer, 212 N. Paca St., Baltimore, Md., writes: "For several years I was troubled with catarrh of the head, throat and stomach. Many times I would vomit before and after eating.

"I took seven bottles of your Peruna, and I am glad to say that it has cured me. I feel more like living and working, and am not bothered at all with my old troubles.

"I take great pleasure in recommending Peruna to all sufferers with catarrh, and I thank you for what you have done for me, for none but those who have suffered as I have can appreciate a great cure as I have found Peruna to be."

Ask Your Druggist for a Free Peruna Almanac for 1909

VERNON METHODISTS CELEBRATE ANNIVERSARY

More Than Half of Debt on Church Has Been Wiped Out.

Vernon, Dec. 4.—This week has witnessed a most successful series of anniversary services in connection with the Methodist church, Vernon, which has now been in existence fifteen years. The church was started as a mission in 1892, and the following year a church was erected and opened, with Rev. Thomas Neville as its first resident pastor. Previous to this Rev. J. P. Hicks conducted services between Vernon and Enderby. Rev. J. A. Wood was the next pastor, and was succeeded two years later by Rev. S. J. Thompson. In 1895 Dr. Robson became pastor, and held the position for two years, and was followed by Rev. J. P. Westman. Rev. J. W. Bowering followed, remaining but one year, and Rev. Dr. Courtice was his successor for about nine months. For a few months, until the conference of 1904, Rev. Jas. Turner took charge. During Rev. Mr. Wright's ministry the church in 1905 became self-supporting, and in 1907 Vernon became the conference church, an honor only twice thus given to cities of the interior. On Mr. Wright's departure for Kelowna, Rev. S. S. Osterhout, the present pastor, took charge.

One of the objects which the trustees hoped to accomplish in the holding of this anniversary was the relieving of the financial situation in which the church finds itself. Some time ago the church was improved and the parsonage was also greatly improved and modernized, while during the past year the young people of the Epworth League undertook to add an annex to the back of the church to be used for such various purposes as a church parlor, social and tea meetings, Sunday school rooms, club rooms, etc. In order to let the young people go ahead and complete some of the schemes which they had in view, the board of trustees assumed the debt on this as well as the debt on the aforementioned alterations. The total sum thus ran to something over $1,200, and it was hoped by this series of meetings to raise at least $600 of it. The result was even better than was anticipated, and now the trustees are glad to be able to say that the proceeds from the tea and meetings amount in all to about $700.

As a result of the board of trustees having taken over the load of debt on the church parlors, the young people are now going forward in their endeavors to fit up one of the new rooms at any rate as a social club and reading room which is to open every night in the week for young men.

During the past four months 5,902 stray cats have been rescued in the streets of London.

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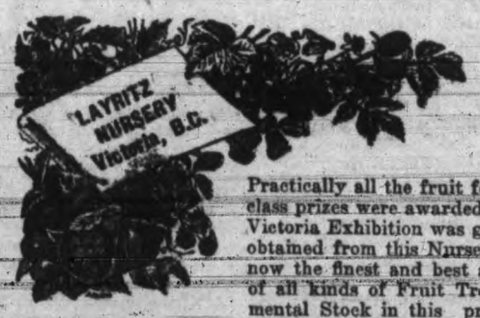

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NEED FOR ACTION.

We confess some disappointment regarding the outcome of the conference last night between citizens interested in the publicity work of Victoria, and the city council.

As we understand it, the executive of the Tourist Association, after notifying the council that they could continue operations until the end of this month only, were invited to the city hall to confer with the Mayor and board of aldermen. Presumably that conference was designed for the purpose of deciding on some plan whereby the interim between the end of this year, and the striking of the estimates by the council of 1909 could be bridged, and also to plan some intelligent, continuous, and effective plan for prosecuting the city's municipal publicity campaign.

What actually took place was that several of the delegation present were asked to express their views, and were then bowed out with the polite, if not very original intimation that their representations would receive "serious consideration."

What are the views of the Mayor and aldermen on this subject? May we expect no initiative from the body primarily charged with advancing the interests of the city, and who are naturally looked to for some suggestions regarding the maintenance of this important work in 1909.

This matter is too urgent, in view of the enormous trend of travel which will turn this way in 1909, to permit of further delay. The sentiment of the public in favor of Victoria vigorously pushing this work in 1909 is unmistakeable. Even such a conservative body as the board of trade is alive to the urgency of the matter, and is working vigorously. Plans to be effective must be decided upon and advertising matter should be placed in the East early in January, before the new board of aldermen are elected. The public bodies of the city must work to a common end and on co-operative lines if success is to be assured and must get to work at once.

This is not primarily so much a matter of funds as of plan and policy. In formulating that policy the members of the council should be foremost. That is the reason why we regret that advantage was not taken of the unique opportunity afforded by the common meeting last evening of members of the city council, board of trade and tourist association to thoroughly canvass the situation and lay plans for the future. We regret it the more because we realize that among the members of the council are several gentlemen, at least, who could give valuable advice in such a matter. If they will kindly lead the way, we know they may rely upon the hearty support and co-operation of the citizens.

DISQUIETUDE IN BRITAIN.

The situation in Great Britain is indeed peculiar. It is past finding out—at a distance of more than six thousand miles. Every byeselection is going against the government. There does not appear to be any doubt that if a general election were held at any time now that the Asquith administration would be defeated by a large majority. Yet no government, so far as external indication go, could be more deeply desirous of promoting internal reforms, of making the conditions for the average citizen more tolerable. It has provided pensions for the aged, it desires to bring about reforms in the educational system by means of which all classes of the rising generation will be placed upon a more equal footing and given a more equal chance in the battle of life, it has set in motion machinery which will have the effect of giving the land over to the actual occupants and tillers, it has introduced legislation designed to lessen the evils of over-indulgence in intoxicants. No one can deny that the Asquith government has aimed to carry out the pledges upon which it was elected. It has been a progressive, aggressive instrument of reform. Yet it has not gained favor in the eyes of the people. Possibly the fact that times have been bad has had some influence in producing the dissatisfaction which is quite palpable. But it is just a question whether a policy of domestic reform appeals strongly to the imagination of the British people. It is dull, grey and commonplace in comparison with a spectacular, "strong," foreign policy. The British delight to fix their minds upon the imposing dimensions of the Empire, to contemplate its wonderful proportions and to listen to plans for its extension. It would doubtless, therefore, be fair to say that the attitude of the majority in the present Parliament, has had a good deal to do with the change of public sentiment. The government means well and has attempted to redeem its pledges, but circumstances over which it had little control have been against it. If the tide continues to run as it has been running, the Imperialists, who appear to have committed themselves irrevocably to tariff reform and preferential trade within the Empire, will soon have their opportunity. Whether the Britons at home or the Britons beyond the seas will have reason to bless the day remains to be seen.

A PROFITABLE LESSON.

The fall of the Quebec bridge was an appalling thing from the point of view of the humanitarian and a deplorable thing from the point of view of the utilitarian. It was costly to humanity because of the number of lives lost and to the country inasmuch as it will involve an expenditure of many dollars to restore the structure to the condition in which it was previous to the "accident."

Yet we have scientific authority for the opinion that the fall of the Quebec bridge, deplorable in its direct consequences, was really a blessing in disguise. But for it modern engineers would not have been reminded that the time had come for a review of their methods of computing the margin of safety necessary in erecting such a giant structure. An example has already been found in the case of a bridge in process of construction across the Hudson river near the city of New York. That is the Blackwell's Island bridge, which would have been used by many hundreds of thousands of people daily, and will cost upwards of twenty-four millions of dollars. The Scientific American says it is assured that this, the greatest engineering work of its kind in the world, would collapse if it were subjected to the loads it was designed to carry. This judgment is the result of an investigation following the fall of the Quebec bridge, designed upon the same system, which is now scientifically adjudged to be faulty. A commission consisting of three persons, two of whom are practical engineers and bridge builders, and of Prof. Burr, of Columbia University, New York, after a thorough investigation, reports that if the bridge had been opened and subjected to the loads it was designed to carry, the strain, in some of the members, would enormously exceed those for which the bridge was designed, the excess in the case of one member rising to 47 per cent. above the safety point.

Here is a portion of the comment of the Scientific American on the extraordinary blunder:

"The results are simply appalling. They mark this bridge as the most monumental case of faulty design in the whole history of the art of designing long-span bridges. Furthermore, our readers should understand that, when the maximum stress to which the metal in the bridge could be safely subjected was determined upon, no allowances were made for secondary stresses in the various members (due to tendency to distortion in the members themselves), or for snow load. The omission of snow load is simply amazing; for it means that in the event of a blizzard like that of 1888, in which the vast floors of the bridge and all the huge members might be loaded deep with a heavy burden of snow, the stresses resulting in the structure from this load would not be represented by any corresponding increase of material in the members to carry the additional burden thus imposed. Nor is it an answer to this criticism to say that the bridge might not be congested with traffic at such a time; for it is certain that a heavy blizzard might in itself be the cause of a stalling of trains and cars, and a blockade of vehicular traffic."

Let the reader ponder upon what the result might have been had not the failure of the Quebec bridge prompted an investigation into the design of the Blackwell structure and had a collapse taken place under the conditions described above.

THE "GAME OF BUSINESS."

So ingrained is the love of sport—of playing the game—that most business men who really amount to much incorporate, in their management of things, certain elements of contest and struggle.

To "beat last year's record" is the hope of every hustling business man—to accomplish more—to build up, to win—to push the enterprise further along toward the goal than ever before—are the motives which impel men to struggle, to scheme, to use up reserves of energy, of money, of ideas.

During the year to come some business houses in this city are going to establish new records, new high-water marks, in volume of business done, and in net profits. Others are going to fall behind the records of 1908.

No merchant is going to do more business in 1909 than he did in 1908 unless he does more and better advertising. That's not guess-work; its not nonsense. It's merely one of "the rules of the game" of business—and you can't win at any game unless you play according to the rules.

Our friend Henri Bourassa, his political aspirations temporarily crushed, has turned to the unfailing consolations of journalism. Henri, thanks be, has thus found an avenue for the current of his great thoughts. Had they been pent up no one knows what might have happened in the event of the barriers being carried away. The solid foundations of the constitution might have gone with them.

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The poor old Empire is falling to pieces. The inhabitants of Rakahanga, one of the islands of the Cook group, have hauled down the British flag, ejected the constitutional authorities, and installed a government of their own. Still there is some comfort in the reflection that disintegration has not commenced at the heart of the Empire.

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We are not flattering ourselves that the United States feels very deeply downcast over the plain speaking in which Canadians have been indulging of late in regard to closer trade relations and such things. Yet it is perhaps just as well to let our neighbors know where we stand.

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Ottawa Free Press: A man who was a candidate at last month's municipal election in Blackpool, England, made it his boast, "I have never drinked or smoked and have never walked out with a woman in my life!" He got his "twenty-three" all right, only receiving that number of votes!

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The British government has withdrawn its education bill. It looks like an ignominous surrender after an inconsequential battle.

WILL HE?

(Toronto News.)

Is it possible that the Emperor of Germany is to become a second William the Silent?

GOOD YEAR FOR GOVERNMENTS.

(Edmonton Journal.)

New Zealand has taken up the prevailing fashion for elections, and has imitated Canada's example in returning the existing government to power.

ADDITIONS TO THE CODE.

(Toronto Star.)

Modern cynicism has added an eleventh commandment to the ten: "Thou shalt not be found out." And modern business tendencies suggest a twelfth: "Thou shalt not grow old."

JUST AS WELL!

(New York Press.)

A girl would much rather you told her how pretty she is than how much brains she has; but you might just as well tell her both.

"WITH."

"A hammock large enough for two?" echoed the dealer. "Do you want it with or without?"

"With or without what?" asked the girl.

"Crowding," replied the dealer, smiling at her innocence. Then she gave her order in a whisper.

AN ACCOMPLISHMENT.

"They tell me, Grimley, that your daughter sings with great expression."

"Greatest expression you ever saw. Her own mother can't recognize her face when she's singing."—Home Herald.

TROUBLE COMING.

"Look here," said the official, "there'll be trouble if your wife disregards us when we persistently tell her she must not pick the flowers."

"Then," said Mr. H. Peck—for it was no other—"why ever do you persist?"—Judge.

TROUBLE WITH THE 'PHONE.

Kathryn (fluttering in)—I'm so glad I've found you home, dear! I tried to call you up, but central said your phone was out of order.

Gladys (weakly)—I suppose it is. About an hour ago Jack called up father and asked him for my hand.—Puck.

The first time a young man attempts to run an automobile he suddenly discovers that he doesn't know everything.

Probably nothing pleases a woman more than her ability to look younger than some other woman who is the same age.

Nothing melts a dignified girl like an unexpected kiss.

A woman seldom meets her ideal man until she has passed the don't-worry age.

There are plenty of dumb waiters, but who ever heard of a dumb barber?

Absence doesn't make the heart grow fonder of a rival.

THE FIRST CHAPTER.

New York Times.

(President Roosevelt will get a dollar a word).

We saw (two plunks) a buck (that's four)
And then (six dollars, please)
I fired (that's eight) a shot (two more)
And brought him to his knees.
The hunting scene (that makes nineteen)
Is something really fine;
The jungle's all a vivid green
(I think that's twenty-nine).

To-night we lie beneath the sky,
(One, two, three, four, five, six);
It's great (seven, eight), the moon is high,
The woods full of big sticks!
So what we do (that's twenty-two)
Let's do with all our might.
(Come, Kermit, count, whate'er you do!
Yes, twenty-eight is right)!

It is great sport (my words are short,
But why should I waste ink?)
I thought I heard a rhino snort
In coming down to drink.
I'm on his track; (Kermit, go back
And count those words again).
The night is still and raven black!
(Loeb, come and hold my pen).

Bang! Bang! Bang! Bang! (They'll hate to pay
For four bangs in a row,
A dollar each, but that's the way
The contract reads, I know!)
(Loeb, skin the rhino while I add
These words). What heavenly breeze!
We're off to bed! (And Kermit, lad,
Mail this first chapter, please!)

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THE VALUES OFFERED FOR TO-NIGHT ARE IN LINE WITH WHAT WE HAVE HAD ON SALE DURING THE WEEK, AND THEY HAVE BEEN EXCEPTIONALLY GOOD. THESE BARGAINS WON'T LAST LONG AT THESE PRICES.

A 7.30 Sale of Women's Aprons
This sale should be of particular interest. Aprons make nice presents and these are considerably below what you usually have to pay. We offer two prices, as follows:

35c and 50c Colored Aprons for 25c
COLORED APRONS, made of good quality cambrics, in fancy patterns, medium and dark shades; also of plain cambric. These aprons are good full size and are neatly trimmed with white braid. They are the style with bib and pocket. In the lot are also some made of cream Holland, striped with white braid. Regular values 35c and 50c. 7:30 to-night 25C

50c and 75c Muslin Aprons for 35c
A very nice lot of aprons are these. They are in the style with bib and the style without. They are made of nice qualities of white lawn, some are finished with deep hems, others with a frill. In some cases the bibs are neatly trimmed with Swiss embroidery, in others the bibs are plain or finished with frills. Regular values 50c and 75c. 7:30 to-night 35C

A 7.30 Sale of Men's Vests
$1.25 FOR $2.50 TO $3.50 VESTS
This is the best Vest bargain we have offered for a long time, and these lines should only last for a very short time to-night. There is a splendid assortment to choose from, patterns that run from very light shades to the darkest effects. Some of the patterns are very neat and pretty, others are showy and striking. No matter what your taste may be, you will fine something to suit you in this lot. Regular prices $2.50 to $3.50. 7:30 to-night $1.25

7:30 SALE IN THE ANNEX
Fine China at Special Prices

CHINA CUPS AND SAUCERS, with gold line decorations. These are a very special bargain at this extremely low price. To-night, 7:30 o'clock 10C

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A Saturday Sale of Boys' Reefers
REEFERS WILL SELL AT SMALL PRICES
These Reefers are late in arriving, in fact very late, and consequently we have marked them at prices that will move them out quickly and pay our customers for their trouble in waiting. These Reefers are excellent qualities, well made and finished and at these prices are bargains, genuine bargains.
THE PRICES FOR TO-DAY ARE
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Saturday Sale of Waist Flannels
NEW GOODS, REGULAR 50c, TO-DAY, 35c
This is another lot of goods that should have been here long ago. A delayed shipment, so we have marked them at a low price to clear them quickly. They are a nice quality of Flannels, suitable for waists, in attractive designs and colorings, in both light and dark shades. It is a shame to sell such goods, especially new goods, just out of the case, at such a price, but it is so late in the season that we wish to move them right out. They are good widths, and while we have a good quantity, it would be well to buy early and get first choice. Regular value 50c. To-day 35C

Men's $4 Boots, To-day, for $2.75
Another good Saturday bargain for men. Every Saturday we are particular to offer something extra good in the bargain line for men. To-day's special is one of the best offered yet. It is 100 pairs MEN'S BOOTS, high grade American manufacture, genuine gun metal, calf, Blucher cut, new half wing tips on a smart, dressy and good fitting last. Regular $.400. To-day $2.75

Don't Forget the Sale of Women's Coats
Don't think they are all sold. We had too many for that. Thursday was one of the biggest days we ever had in the Mantle Department, yet we have splendid bargains here for you yet. Such coat values at this time of year have never been offered before in this city. We have good assortments of these coats at $5.00 and $8.75, and a particularly good line of fancy styles and models, worth up to $45.00, at $13.75

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45—Spring Ridge.
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52—Government and Princess Sts.
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Local News

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—"Ireland and the Irish." Popular lecture by Rev. S. J. Thompson. Victoria West Methodist Church, Tuesday, Dec. 8th, 8 p. m. Admission 25c. Musical programme. •

—A grand chance is offered you by H. L. Salmon, the Pioneer Tobacconist, corner of Yates and Government streets, for Christmas presents at greatly reduced prices. The premises being sold, Mr. Salmon is forced to get out and you can now get the benefit of it by purchasing from his stock during the big sale. Not a thing must be left over; shop early. •

—An invoice of the new and revised edition of "The Mystic Spring" will be in the hands of local dealers in the course of a few days. Copies of the work have not been obtainable for nearly a year and it is hoped that the new issue will meet the local and eastern demand.

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SUNDAY BAND CONCERT.

Programme to Be Given in Victoria Theatre To-morrow Afternoon.

The Victoria concert band, under the leadership of Bandmaster Sidney Rogers, will make its first appearance before a Victoria audience at the Victoria theatre on Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Since the re-organization of the band, several new players have joined its ranks and stands equal to any on the coast as a concert musical organization. On Sunday afternoon the band will be assisted by Miss Lillian Palmer, soprano; J. H. Griffiths, baritone; F. Waddington, baritone; violin obligato, by Jessie Longfield; band soloist, H. Searle, with Geo. Pauline as accompanist. The programme for the first concert has been very carefully arranged and includes several selections which will be heard for the first time in this city. No admission will be charged, but a silver collection will be taken at the door. The complete programme is as follows:

Grand March—Tannhauser ..... Wagner
Overture—Flotte Burscht (new) .... Suppe
Vocal Solo—A Shining Light ..... Gounod
J. H. Griffiths.
Nautical Fantasia—Voyage in a Troopship ..... Miller
Synopsis: Leaving Portsmouth, The Soldier's Tears, Bosun's Call, All Hands Up Anchor, Capstan Chorus (vocal), Then Fare Thee Well, Fair Portsmouth Town, The Anchor's Weighed, A Wet Sheet and a Flowing Sea, The Bay of Biscay, Storm, Prayers in a Storm (vocal), Fair Weather, Santa Lucia, We'll Rant and We'll Rear Like True British Sailors, Tom Bowling, The White Squall, Saturday Night in the Fo'c's'le, Hornpipes and Rule Britannia.
Caprice—Shadow Ballet (new) ... Bendix
Vocal Solo—Beautiful Home of Paradise ..... King
Miss Lillian Palmer.
Overture—Raymond ..... Thomas
Piccolo Solo—The Nightingale..Filiponsky
Bandsman Searle.
Vocal Solo—For All Eternity..Mascheroni
F. Waddington.
Serenade—Moszkowski ..... Brooks
Intermezzo—In a Garden of Melody.. ..... Sudds
God Save the King.

—The death occurred yesterday at the family residence, 2649 Grahame street, of Clarence Penketh, aged 2 years, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Jeeves. The funeral will take place on Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock from the family residence.

—Members of the chorus are reminded that there is a special rehearsal of oratoria "St. Paul" to-morrow evening in the schoolroom of the First Presbyterian church at the close of the evening service, 8:30 o'clock, and all are urgently requested to attend.

—The C. P. R. has decided upon a reduction in rate by the steamer Joan between Vancouver and Nanaimo, as was asked for by a representative delegation from Nanaimo. The fares will in future be $1.60 single and $2.50 return. The old rate was $2 and $3. The rate for commercial travelers is reduced from $1.35 to $1.20, and for theatrical companies from $1.20 to $1.30.

—The British Israel class will hold a meeting on Monday, at 8 p. m., in the educational room, of the Y. M. C. A., Broad street, to which the public are invited. The subject for consideration will be "The Crisis in Europe" as seen from the standpoint of Daniel and Revelations, especially as outlined in Matthew 24th. "The inquiry "What part does Israel, or Britain, play in this closing act of the drama?" is of interest, and will precede a series of addresses during the season's studies.

MANY STREETS GETTING PERMANENT PAVEMENT

Road Improvements Going Ahead Rapidly—Government Street Next.

Good progress is being made with the street paving works at present in hand. Broughton street is completed from Douglas to Wharf except for a couple of yards at the lower end. Courtney street has been finished from Douglas to Government streets, and the workmen are now busy on Gordon street, between Broughton and Courtney streets.

The block-paving on Government street, continuing on from the end of the new pavement at Johnson street to Herald street, will be taken hold of next. This work has been held back until the double system of water mains had been laid for the domestic and high pressure fire protection services had been put in, but as this work has been done all is ready for the paving.

AMATEUR THEATRICALS.

Boys' Auxiliary of Christ Church Cathedral to Give Entertainment.

Rehearsals for the "Black Barber" and the "Pumpkin Case," to be given in the Christ church cathedral schoolroom by the Boys' Auxiliary on Wednesday evening, are being held daily in order to bring them up to that high standard of perfection at which the youthful participants are aiming. That their efforts will be crowned with success is the opinion of those who have been watching the work from the beginning and the entertainment promises to be an unqualified success.

For several days the members have been engaged in constructing rather elaborate scenery and this, together with the tasteful decorations contemplated and handsome furniture, will make a very pretty and effective setting.

An item that will add greatly to the pleasure of the evening will be the musical part of the programme, which will be in the hands of a few of the pupils of Prof. E. G. Wickens. The work of these talented young musicians is invariably of a high order and their aid is a cause of considerable gratification to the management.

The next few days will be busy ones for those taking part. Monday afternoon there will be a rehearsal of the "Pumpkin Case" and in the evening of "The Black Barber." Tuesday evening is set for a full dress rehearsal for both plays, commencing at 7 o'clock. The following is the programme:

The Great Pumpkin Cace of Guff vs. Muff.

Judge ..... Master Geo. Rumsby
Lawyer Squibbs ..... Master F. Rumsby
Lawyer Foozle ..... Master V. Pauline
Frizz (the clerk) ..... Master G. Harris
Bailiff Whipsaw ..... Master T. Heyland
Pike Whiffles (witness) .....
..... Master T. D. Heyland
Abe Snooks ..... Master A. Bray
Gump ..... Master F. Ross
Dr. Poddle ..... Master G. Leary
Hi Guff (plaintiff) ... Master A. Godson
Ab Muff (defendant) .....
..... Master R. Hodgson
Foreman of Jury .... Master G. Pauline
Jury—Masters S. Godson, W. Pauline, Miles, Burton, Burton, Miles, Greenwood.

"The Black Barber."

Snowball (a barber) ... Master C. Leary
Mose ..... Master H. Godson
Pete ..... Master R. Litchfield
Chloe ..... Master T. Nicholas
Sally ..... Master R. Whitefield
Sam ..... Master E. Burton

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—A meeting of the Anti-Tuberculosis Society will take place on Monday, the 7th inst., at 3 o'clock.

—If Mr. Moore who won a bag in the raffle at the anti-tuberculosis bazaar will telephone to No. 273 he will receive his property.

—Wednesday next will be guest day at the Alexandra Club. There will be a charming musical programme, and a very pleasing function in connection with this event.

—An evangelistic service will be held in the Salvation Army hall, Broad street, on Sunday evening at 7:30 o'clock. Staff-Capt. Hayes will speak, the subject being, "The Coming Judgment." Capt. Kundson will sing, "Have You No Room for Jesus." The songsters will also take part during the service. An invitation is extended to all.

—By request of Mrs. Dunsmuir the date for the fancy dress Cinderella for children and young people at Government House has been changed from Tuesday, December 29th, to Monday, December 28th, on account of the fixture of the Victoria Musical Society for the former date. This society, in arranging to bring world-famed musicians to Victoria, depends upon the staunch support of the musical section of Victoria, and it is felt that no conflicting attractions should be allowed to detract attention from this event, or hinder a full attendance of supporters and members. Tickets for the Cinderella dance are now on sale, and may be obtained from the Daughters of Pity, Mrs. Hasell, Challoner & Mitchell, Redfern, Hibben, and at the Alexandra Club.

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WHARF AT PRINCE RUPERT.

Provincial Government Will Not Give Companies Permission to Build.

The local government has refused to grant the request of various companies desiring waterfront at Prince Rupert on which to erect wharves.

After consideration had been given to these applications, and the whole situation at the northern railway terminus reviewed, the government decided to refuse to grant any of the applications for waterfrontage.

It was further decided to build a wharf, to be owned and managed by the government, so as to afford the necessary facilities for shipping and place all the companies on an equal footing. The section of wharf to be built first will be about 600 feet in depth of water of 20 feet at extreme low tide. The wharf will be located on the government's land situated about the centre of the business section of the town.

HELD CONFERENCE.

Representatives of Canadian Manufacturers' Association Meet Local Members.

J. E. Walsh, manager of transportation, and R. W. Breadner, manager of the traffic department of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association, Toronto, yesterday afternoon met the members of the local branch of the association here and held an informal talk in the board of trade rooms. There were present E. A. Pauline, the vice-chairman of the B. C. branch, in the chair; Messrs. H. J. Scott, D. R. Ker, B. C. Mess, James Leigh, W. J. Pendray, H. Smith, W. E. Staneland, J. J. Lemon, H. B. Thomson, M. P. P., and W. Trewartha James, of the Tyee Copper Company.

R. H. H. Alexander, secretary of the B. C. branch, was also present, in company with the eastern visitors.

The visitors addressed the members on the working of the various departments of the association, setting forth what advantages the community as a whole, and the members individually, gained through a central organization watching the interests of merchants through Canada and other countries. Similar conferences have been held through the route the delegates have traveled. Messrs. Walsh, Breadner and Alexander left for Vancouver last night, and will proceed to New Westminster to-day.

—The provincial librarian has recently sent out four new traveling libraries. They have been dispatched to Salmon Arm, Whonnock, Slocan City and Port Haney. The latter makes the seventy-first place to receive a library since the system was inaugurated.

—To-night, commencing at 8 o'clock, a concert will be given in the W. C. T. U. mission, Yates street, under the auspices of the Epworth League of the Metropolitan Methodist church. J. B. McCallum will act as chairman, and an attractive programme will be rendered. All are cordially invited.

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BUSINESS SET DOWN FOR COUNCIL MEETING

Questions That Will Come Up for Consideration on Monday Night.

At the city council meeting on Monday evening Ald. Henderson will introduce a resolution embodying the agreement arrived at between the city and the property-owners on Government street, between Toronto and Niagara streets. The city is to expropriate or otherwise acquire the land required to make the street a uniform width, to grade, tar-macadamize and drain the roadway, to remove the permanent sidewalk on the west side of the street, between Simcoe and Niagara streets, reconstructing it so as to conform with the sidewalk already down between Toronto and Simcoe streets; and to construct boulevards, with curbs and gutters on both sides.

The property-owners have accepted the city's terms, which are that it will bear one-third of the expense, including the cost of acquiring land for widening, the owners to pay two-thirds. The street, when the improvements are completed, will have a uniform width of fifty-three feet.

Alderman Gleason gives notice of a motion for the demolition of the building on Store street, between the Queen's hotel and the E. & N. station, used as a Chinese laundry, a restaurant and a tobacconist's, if the inquiries to be held by the board of health and council prove it to be a nuisance and a danger to health.

Ald. Henderson will introduce a by-law to readjust the amount which the city has to assume for the relief of taxpayers under the new government street paving by-law.

By-laws will be introduced for the carrying out of permanent improvements on Cook street, Alpha street, North Park street and Dallas road and for providing the necessary funds.

Fernwood road, between Fort street and Edmonton road, is to be graded and gravelled and permanent sidewalks laid on both sides.

The streets, sewers and bridges committee will report in favor of the adoption of Arthur L. Adams' report on water meters. This is to the effect that 1750 "Trident" meters be purchased from T. A. Johnson and that an endurance test be instituted of the "Trident," "Worthington type D" and "Nash" models before the balance of the order is decided upon.

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HAPPY THOUGHT.

A lady writing from Ireland says:—"I went to see my sister's baby, who was very ill indeed. She had been up for nights with him without undressing; he was crying all the time as with some internal pain. The doctor told her he could do nothing except put him in a warm bath, which gave him a little ease for the time being.

"I thought of STEEDMAN'S SOOTHING POWDERS which I used for my own children; and next day I sent some to my sister, when she gave the child half a powder according to directions. For the first time for a fortnight she and the baby, and, in fact, all the household, had a good night's sleep, and the little fellow has continued to improve ever since."

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LOSERS IN LIFE'S RACE.

Mr. Chiozza-Money has calculated that out of about 700,000 persons who died in the year 1906-07 in Great Britain, 32,121 left property worth $299,334,000, while the rest either died bankrupt or left nothing to attract the notice of Somerset House. The list is, he points out, "almost entirely out of losers" in life's material race. But of the winners he finds that almost two-thirds died leaving on the average only £200 out of the gigantic total of nearly £800,000,000. Another 10,000 of them left estates not exceeding the value of £1,000 apiece, so that "practically all the property left in an average year is left by only 21,000 persons out of 700,000

ASHCROFT DISTRICT IS MAKING PROGRESS

Land Being Sub-divided for Fruit Growing—Mining Outlook.

Dr. George Sanson, of Ashcroft, who was on the steamer Charmer at the time of the collision, arrived here yesterday on the Princess Victoria on private business, and will leave for his home to-night.

This spring, he says, there will be over $750,000 worth of land in Ashcroft subdivided into five and ten acre lots for fruit raising purposes. On Langley's ranch 3,000 acres are to be subdivided, while owners of smaller acreages propose to act in the same manner.

Towards the subdivision of the large land area in the Ashcroft district, he says, the owners are now building extensive flumes for the purpose of conveying water on to each lot for irrigation purposes, while another land owner is getting a ditch surveyed from the Bonaparte River to land proposed to be subdivided.

A high grade copper property in the Highland valley about 27 miles from Ashcroft is now under bond to a Butte mining company, which will ship ore by sleighs this winter. The proposition shows an eight foot ledge with average assays of nine per cent. Prospecting in the Highland valley has been going on for years, but the low price of copper has acted as a hindrance to development. The people, however, are now going in in numbers and with the Nicola coal near for smelting purposes the mining outlook is, in Dr. Sanson's opinion, extremely good for the district.

The Nicola coal people intend building a coke oven at once and to follow it with a smelter to take care of the output from the mines. This will cause a big impetus in mining in the district. The mining investors of the Highland valley have extremely good facilities with regard to transportation, as from their position they only require a three-mile road to connect with the main wagon road to Nicola and Ashcroft.

The prospects for fruit growing, says Dr. Sanson, are equal to any locality in the province. Ashcroft, being situated in the dry belt, can grow all classes of fruit successfully, and has a season two weeks earlier than any other fruit raising district of the province. With the subdivisions proposed, and the opening up of the copper claims, a great impetus to all industries of the Ashcroft district is expected.

A diplomat is one who never fails to remind the homely woman that she is good looking.

The average woman can change her mind in half the time it takes a man to change his collar.

DUTCH WARSHIPS MERELY EXERCISING

Cruise Along Venezuelan Coast Said Not to Be a Naval Demonstration.

The Hague, Dec. 5.—The government of the Netherlands has declined to dignify the movement of three Dutch warships, the battleship Jacob Van Heemskerk and the cruisers Gelderland and Friessland, along the coast of Venezuela from Puerto Gabello to La Guyra, as a naval demonstration. It asserts that this manoeuvre was only an ordinary exercise cruise.

Officials to-day point out that anything in the nature of a blockade must be duly notified to the powers before being undertaken. They say that no such notification has yet been sent, nor has the necessary notice been given to parliament of any proposed warlike action. The government has received no information concerning the statement that four American warships are expected at Curacao during the beginning of January, but it is thought here that now the presidential election is over, the United States may possibly lend Holland more effective assistance than the oral support already promised.

WEATHER BULLETIN.

Daily Report Furnished by the Victoria Meteorological Department.

Victoria, Dec. 5.—5 a. m.—The pressure is rising on the Californian coast, but heavy rain has fallen at San Francisco, Red Bluff and Sacramento; high pressure areas cover the Pacific slope and the prairie provinces; snow is falling at Barkerville, Medicine Hat and Havre, Montana, and snow has fallen at Calgary; in Alberta it is moderately cold, but in Saskatchewan and Manitoba it is intensely cold, reaching 30 below zero at Prince Albert.

Forecasts.

For 36 hours ending 5 p. m. Sunday.

Victoria and vicinity—Light or moderate northerly winds, fair and cold to-day and Sunday.

Lower Mainland—Light or moderate winds, fair and cold to-day and Sunday.

Reports.

Victoria—Barometer, 30.15; temperature, 30; minimum, 29; wind, 6 miles N.; weather, clear.

New Westminster—Barometer, 30.18; temperature, 24; minimum, 24; wind, calm; weather, clear.

Kamloops—Barometer, 30.22; temperature, 22; minimum, 18; wind, calm; rain, trace; weather, part cloudy.

San Francisco—Barometer, 30.00; temperature, 50; minimum, 50; wind, 4 miles S. E.; rain, .01; weather, cloudy.

Edmonton—Barometer, 30.06; temperature, 10; minimum, 4; wind, calm; snow, trace; weather, cloudy.

A hot-headed man gets cold feet at the critical moment.

Some people are never so happy as when they are in a position to make others unhappy.

To-day's Specials

TO-DAY We Have on Display a Ladies', Misses' and Child's Shoe

WHICH YOU WILL CONFESS IS A BIG BARGAIN BY SIMPLY INSPECTING THEM

LADIES' BOX CALF LACED BOOT, were $2.50. Now.. $1.75
MISSES' FINE KID BOOT, Blucher cut, Were $2.25.
To-day's price $1.50
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CHILD'S BLUCHER CUT KID SHOE, were $1.50.... $1.15

We Have Only a Few Pairs of These Shoes.

So the earlier you come the surer you are likely to get your size.

IDEAL SHOE STORE

Government St., Opp. Spencer's

PURE MILK IN COPENHAGEN.

How the City Has Solved Important Problem.

In an article in the Christmas McClure's Samuel Hopkins Adams tells how Copenhagen has solved the milk problem. The task has been accomplished by the Milk Furnishing Society, of whose work the writer says:

"No dairies, farms, or cattle are owned by the society. Its functions are those of distribution and control solely; its aim is education and sanitary protection; its official motto, 'Pure Milk From Sound Cows.' Forty farms, with about five thousand cows, are under a rigid contract with the organization. By this contract the farmers bind themselves to feed their milk cattle on certain specified classes of fodder, to turn them out to pasture during the season, and to report at once any disease among the animals, the employees, or the family of any one connected with the dairy.

"As to the animals, even were the farmer inclined to violate the oath that he takes, there is small opportunity of concealment, since the society's veterinarians inspect every cow in every stable at least once a month, and have the right of entry and inspection at any time. The farmer is further encouraged to report any suspicious ailment of his cows since, between the time of such report and the arrival of the veterinarian, all milk from the suspected animals is paid for by the society at the regular rate, although none of it is used. Should contagious or infectious disease appear among the staff of the dairy, or in any household wherein a member of the staff lives, the society refuses all milk from that dairy until such time as it is certified uninfected and fit for use, and this at its own expense, since it pays for the total output. That is, the Milk Furnishing Society of Copenhagen guards itself not only from selling infected milk, but against selling milk that is even under suspicion of being infected."

A RETIRING MAID.

"And do you have to be called in the morning?" asked the lady who was about to engage a new girl.

"I don't have to be, mum," replied the applicant, "unless you happens to want me."—Boston Globe.

When Will The Clock Stop?

ON

Thur. Dec. 3

AT NOON

Representatives from the "Colonist" and "Times" presented themselves at the store of

FELIX McMANUS

Jeweller & Optician

Corner of Johnson and Douglas Streets,

To see a certain **CLOCK** securely fastened to the wall, wound up, **SET GOING**, and sealed up.

From now until the clock stops, every Dollar spent in the store will entitle the customer to one guess as to what day, hour and minute the clock will stop.

The only information which will be given to anyone, regarding the Clock, is that it is listed in the Ansonia Catalogue as an Eight-Day Timepiece. It may stop in less than eight days, but it will probably go quite a while longer.

TWELVE PRIZES WILL BE GIVEN VALUE $211.75

To the twelve nearest guessers, whether they guess the right time or not, but only one prize to any one person.

As the clock, when running down, will probably vary in time, the time at which it shall be said to stop, shall be the time registered by itself.

Coupons should be handed in at as early a date as possible, as, in the event of two or more winners guessing the same time, the first of them handed in will be given the preference.

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8th Prize—Lady's 14k. Gold Filled Lorgnette Chain $7.00

9th Prize—Handsome Cut Glass Bowl, 8 inch.....$6.50

10th Prize—Silver Plated Berry Dish $6.00

11th Prize—Silver Plated Cake Basket $5.50

12th Prize—Silver Plated Berry Spoon $2.00

Ocean and Coastwise Shipping

Movements of Local Vessels—Trade Expansion in B. C. Waters—Gleanings of Interest From the Seven Seas.

CHARMER REACHES ESQUIMALT HARBOR

Steamer Came Slowly Under Her Own Steam—Is Being Hauled Out.

The steamer Charmer reached Esquimalt at a quarter to two this afternoon, and is now being hauled out on the marine railway for repairs

The vessel was floated at high tide early this morning, from the position where she was beached in the Narrows, at the entrance to Vancouver Harbor. She got away about 4:30 this morning with the William Jolliffe, belonging to the B. C. Salvage Company, of Esquimalt, as an escort. The Charmer, however, was able to make the trip under her own steam.

Only once on the way to Victoria did recourse have to be had to the pumps. The patch placed by the Salvage company very effectively shut out the water, and only a small amount was taken on the trip. The patch of canvas and planks showed just above the water line on the port side as she entered the harbor. It commences about 20 feet back on the bow.

The work of repairing will begin at once, so that the Charmer may be ready for service again as soon as possible.

MARINE NOTES

The United States gunboat Pinta, a relic of the Civil war, is to be rebuilt and placed in commission on San Francisco bay as a towboat. The vessel was built in 1860 and served for a number of years in Alaskan waters and later as a naval militia vessel at San Diego. She was recently purchased by Captain Lemingwell, who fitted her with new engines and boiler.

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Owing to the thick fog this morning in the neighborhood of Vancouver the steamer Queen, of the Pacific Coast Steamship Company was delayed, having to anchor at the sand heads for a long time. The Salvor also remained in Vancouver after completing her work on the Charmer, on account of the fog.

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A fire broke out yesterday in the cabin of the steamer Elr and did considerable damage before it was extinguished. The carpenters are now at work making repairs.

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Steamer Queen sails for San Francisco at 7:30 Monday evening.

SHIPPING REPORT

Cape Lago, Dec. 5, 8 a. m.—Clear; calm; barometer, 30.06; temperature, 33. Sea smooth.

Point Grey, Dec. 5, 8 a. m.—Thick fog; calm; barometer, 30.05; temperature, 32.

Tatoosh, Dec. 5, 8 a. m.—Clear; wind 15 miles; barometer, 30.12; temperature, 47. Passed out schooner Willis A. Holden at 5.50 p.m., and a passenger steamer at 7.50.

Estevan, Dec. 5, 8 a.m.—Clear; calm; barometer, 30.18; temperature, 37. Sea smooth.

Pachena, Dec. 5, 8 a.m.—Clear; calm; barometer, 30.33; temperature, 30. Sea smooth.

Cape Lazo, Dec. 5, noon.—Clear; calm; barometer, 30.13; temperature, 39; sea smooth.

Point Grey, Dec. 5, noon.—Thick fog; barometer, 30.04; temperature, 41.

TIDE TABLE.

Victoria, B. C., December, 1908.

Date.	Time	Ht	Time	Ht.	Time	Ht	Time	Ht
	h.m.	ft.	h. m.	ft.	h. m.	ft.	h. m.	ft.
1	2 36	2.8	10 27	8.8	16 57	6.6	19 24	6.6
2	3 25	3.8	10 45	8.6	17 47	6.5	22 48	6.8
3	4 13	4.8	11 06	8.9	18 32	4.4	.. ..	..
4	1 12	6.5	5 02	6.8	11 32	9.0	19 12	2.4
5	3 01	7.1	5 51	6.6	11 55	9.3	19 49	2.4
6	4 20	7.6	6 39	7.4	12 17	9.5	20 24	1.7
7	5 29	8.1	7 24	8.0	12 39	9.7	21 00	1.2
8	6 34	8.4	8 05	8.4	12 58	9.7	21 37	1.0
9	.. ..	..	.. ..	..	13 16	9.7	22 16	1.0
10	.. ..	..	.. ..	..	13 31	9.4	22 56	1.4
11	8 54	8.9	11 10	8.8	13 40	9.0	23 37	1.8
12	9 46	9.0	.. ..	..	.. ..	..	.. ..	..
13	0 13	2.4	10 10	8.9	.. ..	..	.. ..	..
14	0 58	3.0	10 11	8.8	.. ..	..	.. ..	..
15	1 37	3.7	10 04	8.7	.. ..	..	.. ..	..
16	2 15	4.5	10 11	8.7	19 53	5.6	21 38	5.7
17	2 50	5.2	10 26	8.7	19 09	5.1	.. ..	..
18	.. ..	..	10 46	8.9	18 32	4.4	.. ..	..
19	.. ..	..	11 08	9.1	19 09	3.6	.. ..	..
20	.. ..	..	11 31	9.4	19 36	2.7	.. ..	..
21	.. ..	..	11 55	9.7	20 08	1.9	.. ..	..
22	.. ..	..	12 21	10.0	20 43	1.2	.. ..	..
23	.. ..	..	12 50	10.2	21 22	0.7	.. ..	..
24	.. ..	..	13 24	10.3	22 04	0.5	.. ..	..
25	7 20	8.7	9 17	8.6	14 01	10.1	22 49	0.7
26	7 54	8.8	10 35	8.6	14 42	9.6	23 36	1.1
27	8 13	8.9	12 04	8.3	15 31	8.9	.. ..	..
28	0 25	1.8	8 32	9.0	13 39	7.7	16 30	8.0
29	1 14	2.7	8 54	9.1	15 06	6.8	18 25	7.0
30	1 59	3.8	9 19	9.1	16 19	5.8	21 03	6.3
31	2 40	5.0	9 45	9.2	17 19	4.8	.. ..	..

The time used is Pacific Standard, for the 120th Meridian west. It is counted from 0 to 24 hours, from midnight to midnight. The figures for height serve to distinguish high water from low water.

The height is in feet and tenths of a foot above the average level of the lowest low water in each month of the year. This level is half a foot lower than the datum to which the soundings on the Admiralty chart of Victoria harbor are reduced.

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AMIRAL OLRY PASSED IN TO VANCOUVER

French Liner Has Fifty Tons of Freight for This Port.

The Chargeurs Reunis round the world liner, Amiral Olry called at guarantine this morning and passed in to Vancouver without leaving her freight here. She had about fifty tons for this port. It was expected that this steamer would pick up 2,100 cases of salmon at Victoria but it was not ready. It is possible that she will call for the salmon on her way out.

The Amiral Olry is one of the smaller boats of the line which sails from Havre in opposition to the Blue Funnel steamers.

Although the steamer did not call this morning it is the intention in the future to have all the Chargeurs Reunis boats call at this port.

QUADRA ARRIVES FROM TRIP NORTH

Routine Work in Connection With Lighthouses and Buoys Occupies Her Time.

Steamer Quadra arrived from the north last evening where she has been replenishing lighthouses and buoys. She has been away a month and did little except routine work. In Hecate Straits the steamer encountered a severe gale which swept away her awning.

At Prince Rupert the officers report that work is going on at a good pace. There was a delay, however, in some of the work owing to the workmen's supplies not having arrived. These are now on their way north and progress will be more rapid.

There was a good deal of rain while the steamer was in the north making the trip rather unpleasant. She visited all the stations on the Queen Charlottes and found everything in good running order. The large amount of rain had the effect of increasing the size of a large number of the waterfalls along the coast, giving a very pleasing effect.

The Quadra is at present tied up at the government wharf and her future movements are uncertain.

WIRELESS WONDERS.

Results Achieved by Prof. Majorana's Telephonic System.

Through the courtesy of Professor Majorana, I am enabled to communicate some interesting facts which serve to demonstrate the vast importance of the experiments in wireless telephony just carried out between Rome and Sardinia by means of the hydraulic microphone system, the working of which I recently explained, writes the Milan correspondent of the London Chronicle.

The greatest triumph of radiotelephony hitherto achieved outside Italy is with the De Forrest apparatus set up on the Eiffel tower in Paris. In this case the receiving mast was over 900 feet high, and the Parisian experimenters also used thirteen voltaic arcs and an assemblage of eight microphones. With this apparatus they claim to have succeeded in sending the sounds of gun fire, musical instruments, etc., over a distance of 180 miles.

In the Italian experiments the distance between the stations on the Montemario forts at Rome and Becco di Vela, on the lonely island of Caprera (where Garibaldi's body reposes), was 156 miles, but the receiving posts were only 150 feet from the ground, while no more than a single voltaic arc and a solitary microphone have been brought into play.

The communications consisted of bona fide verbal messages, received with such marvellous intensity that naval officers and other bystanders twelve feet away from the apparatus on Caprera were astonished at hearing a voice as of one speaking from across the watery waste. As they approached somewhat nearer to the receiver the very words became distinctly audible to them.

Although, by Professor Majorana's advice, the authorities are restricting the use of radiotelephony for the present to battleships, and employ radiotelegraphy for brief, rapid instructions to torpedo craft, the professor is more optimistic than ever that the near future will reveal still greater miracles of wireless telephony. "Since a jet of water vibrating upon a microphone is the peculiar principle of my system, it only remains," adds the illustrious inventor, "to increase the dimensions of the microphone and the volume of running water in direct proportion to bridge over any distance."

CAUGHT IN THE ACT.

A certain regiment was on the march from Philadelphia to Gettysburg, and the companies were ordered to move with a few minutes' interval between them, and to keep each other in sight, the band and drums leading.

The band soon got a long way ahead, and on reaching a bend, halted for a few minutes' rest. Presently up galloped a mounted officer in hot haste and shouted for the band sergeant.

"What do you mean," he said, "by getting out of sight of the leading company?"

"We were not out of sight, sir," answered the sergeant.

"What do you mean by telling me that?" exclaimed the officer, in a rage. "You were out of sight. I saw you myself."—Philadelphia Ledger.

NEW AGENTS FOR CANADIAN-MEXICAN LINE

Shallcross & Macaulay to Handle Business for Shippers in This City.

Shallcross & Macaulay, of this city, have been appointed local agents for the Canadian-Mexican line and also for the Tehauntepec railway. The new agents have offices both in Vancouver and Calgary.

The Calgary office has been opened only recently, B. G. Shallcross, a member of the firm, having just returned from inaugurating the new branch. He is of opinion that a good deal of wheat may be shipped to Mexico and other coast points by this route and he even has hopes of sending freight from Calgary to Europe by the Tehuantepec line.

Steamer City of Puebla is due to arrive to-morrow night from San Francisco, bringing 199 tons of cargo for this port. This is an unusually large amount, and is probably caused by the large demand for fruits and semi-tropical products at the Christmas season.

SHIPPING GUIDE.

OCEAN STEAMSHIPS

From the Orient.

Vessel.	Due.
Aki Maru	Dec. 11
Empress of China	Dec. 13
Monteagle	Jan. 5
From Australia.	
Indraveili	Dec. 6
Makura	Dec. 17
From Mexico.	
Lonsdale	Dec. 16
From Liverpool.	
Titan	Dec. 22
From Glasgow.	
Princess Charlotte	Dec. 21
TO SAIL	
For the Orient	
Tango Maru	Dec. 8
Empress of Japan	Dec. 9
For Australia.	
Makura	Jan. 1
For Mexico.	
Lonsdale	Dec. 31
For Liverpool.	
Teucer	Dec. 31

SAILING VESSELS

TO ARRIVE

Name.	Left.	Date.	For.
Haddon Hall	Liverpool	April 4	Vict.
(Left Monte Video Aug. 3.)			
Puritan	Boston	Sept. 14	Vanc

COASTWISE STEAMERS

TO ARRIVE

From San Francisco.

Vessel.	Due.
City of Puebla	Dec. 6
Umatilla	Dec. 11
From Skagway.	
Princess May	Dec. 11
From Northern B. C. Ports.	
Venture	Dec. 8
Queen City	Dec. 10
Princess Beatrice	Dec. 18
From West Coast.	
Tees	Dec. 9
TO SAIL.	
For San Francisco.	
Queen	Dec. 7
For Skagway.	
Princess May	Dec. 14
For Northern B. C. Ports.	
Venture	Dec. 9
Queen City	Dec. 13
Princess Beatrice	Dec. 7
For West Coast.	
Tees	Dec. 10

FERRY SERVICE

Seattle and Vancouver.

S. S. Princess Victoria leaves Victoria at midnight, arriving at Vancouver at 7.30 a. m.; returning, leaves Vancouver at 1 p. m., arriving in Victoria at 6 p. m.

S. S. Princess Royal leaves Victoria for Seattle at 11.30 p. m.; returning, leaves Seattle at 8.30 a. m., arriving in Victoria at 1 p. m.

S. S. Whatcom sails daily, except Thursday, for Seattle, at 8 p. m. Arrives daily, except Thursday, from Seattle at 2.30 p.m.

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GOOD PROGRESS ON RESERVOIR

PREPARATIONS FOR NEXT SEASON'S WATER SUPPLY

Cement Work Will Begin on Smith's Hill About February.

Good progress is being made on the work looking to the supplementing of the water supply in the city next year. Those in authority expect before the dry weather begins in the summer there will be a supply which will meet the needs of all concerned.

At Smith's Hill reservoir the gangs under the command of T. Donovan are steadily blasting out the rock which will give capacity for about 16,000,000 gallons of water. This would represent practically a week's supply if necessary. The north wall of the great square which is to measure 365 feet to the side, is practically completed. The west and east sides have been carried around likewise to what will be the bounds of the south wall.

There yet remains a lot of rockwork to be done in the southern half of the reservoir, but when completed the wall will be practically formed, as it will be cut out of the solid rock. It is expected that the excavation work will all be completed by February 1st, so that the facing of the inclined walls with cement and the putting in of the cement floor, may be commenced. The entire floor will be cement covered similar to the work done in paving streets.

The rock-built walls will be faced with cement also, with asphalt joins between the tiers of cement. This will make the entire reservoir watertight. The work is expected to be completed by the latter part of May to allow for use. Until all the blasting is done no cement work can be commenced.

Within the city, off Rockland avenue, the great reservoir which is to ensure a supply of water in the highest levels of the municipality, has been going forward at a satisfactory rate. A little delay has now occurred owing to the non-arrival of expected steel for the lining of the tank itself. The first 74 feet of cement work is completed and above that will be built the reservoir itself with about 27 feet of water.

The entire height to the roof will be about 110 feet or more from the ground. This reservoir is destined to be a conspicuous object in the landscape. At the present time the framework can be seen for a long distance out to sea, and is becoming the feature upon which travellers approaching by steamer, take their bearings in so far as the city is concerned.

A GOOD CONCERT.

Baptist Congregation in Saanich Have Enjoyable Time.

The members and friends of the Baptist church at a social held in the Temperance hall, Saanich, had a good attendance. A good programme was rendered as follows: Opening chorus, Misses Thompson and Pitzer, Mrs. R. Sluggett, R. Sluggett and Rev. F. Letts; quartette, by Emmanuel Baptist church quartette; instrumental solo, Miss J. McKay; reading, Robt. Burdette's "Growing a Moustache," A. J. Pineo; solo, Miss Cocker; recitation, "What Makes a Man," Mrs. Atkinson; quartette, Emmanuel quartette; solo, Miss Johns; recitation, Ozella Thompson; solo, Miss Cocker; recitation, Miss W. Pitzer; reading, Mrs. Atkinson.

Rev. Dr. Spencer in his address pleaded for a church building and was followed with a few remarks from Messrs. Woodward, Haynes and Pineo.

Refreshments were served, after which Miss Cocker, Miss Johns and Emmanuel quartette again contributed numbers to the delight of the audience.

The meeting then joined in singing the doxology. Rev. F. Letts occupied the chair.

AN IRISH GIANT'S GHOST.

An extraordinary affair occurred in Galway, Ireland, a couple of weeks ago. It is said that two young men coming into Galway from Newcastle made a short cut by the railway line, and when opposite a place called Glanville, observed coming towards them on the line a dark object, which they both agree in relating was of human form and about nine feet in height.

When the object came within a few yards of them, they state, it vanished, but they again saw it about forty yards further along the line. This time it passed on towards Lough Corrib and again disappeared. On coming into Galway the young men told the weird occurrence to their friends, and accordingly a party was organized to visit the place the following evening and "lay" the ghost. At eight o'clock the party started, armed with sticks, shot guns and revolvers.

Arriving at the spot they hid, and had not long to wait, for straight in front of them the spectre suddenly appeared, whereupon one of the party raised his revolver, but he never fired the shot, as the weapon dropped from his hand, which became powerless, and he fell in a swoon into the arms of his companions while the ghost vanished from view.

General terror now prevailed, and the hunt after the ghost was forgotten. The young man was conveyed into Galway, where he had to be medically attended, but it was some hours before he was brought back to consciousness. The occurrence only incited others to take up the hunt, and last night a large party started for the purpose of encountering the ghost, but although they remained hidden for several hours no ghost appeared.

A year ago several persons stated that they had seen a spectre near the scene of the present occurrence, which created a panic at the time. There is great terror in the district over its reappearance.

Java is said to be the region of the globe where it thunders oftenest, having thunderstorms ninety-seven days in the year.

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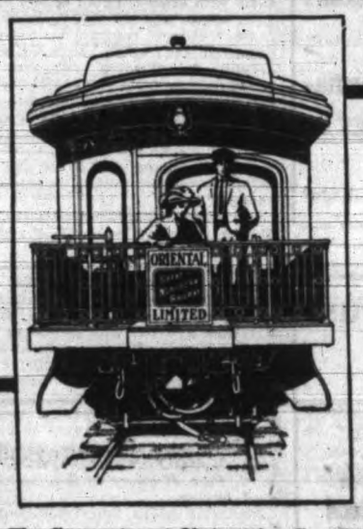

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S. S. Grampian	Dec. 12

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In the World of Finance and Trade

Local Markets—Stock Quotations From New York, Chicago and London—Doings in Mining Centres

STOCK QUOTATIONS ARE ADVANCING

Coal and Oil Principal Traders, Followed by Copper.

(Courtesy N. B. Maysmith & Co.)

Another successful week has just closed on the British Columbia stock exchanges, with record prices for a number of leading stocks. All stocks seem to benefit by the wave of prosperity that has recently struck the local exchanges, and with very few exceptions show a marked advance over the prices that prevailed a few weeks ago.

Coal and oil stocks are the principal traders, with copper not far behind.

International Coal shows an increase from 64c. bid and 68c asked, to 75c. bid and 77c. asked, a large number of sales being made at 75½c.

B. C. Amalgamated Coal remains steady with 2c. bid and 3c. asked.

Diamond Coal is also steady, Diamond Vale Coal shows an advance of two points, both in the bid and asked prices.

Royal Collieries remains about the same with sales reported at 34c.

Oil stocks are led this week in the number of sales reported by American Canadian Oil, which changed hands around 8c. Western Oil shows a strengthening from 40c. bid to 70c. bid and 80c. asked. Canadian Northwest Oil is steady around 75c., on the local exchange.

Copper stocks are firm, B. C. Copper now being quoted at $7.50 bid and $8.25 asked. Dominion Copper remains unchanged.

The new stock of the Portland Canal Mining Company is now offered at 12½c., with but only 6c. bid.

Pingree Mines Ltd., a new copper stock to appear on the market, has made good headway in a short time, having advanced from 10c. to 15c. in less than a week, with prospects of a further rise in the near future. Much interest is taken locally in this stock.

Local industrial stocks remain practically unchanged, although it looks, from some of the offerings, that a number of good snaps could be picked up. Silica Brick at $7, Bakeries Ltd. at $5.50, Capital Furniture Co. at $9 and B. C. Pulp & Paper at 80c., look like good buying.

Financial stocks are strong, but inactive.

(Private Exchange.)

	Bid.	Asked.
Alberta Coal & Coke	..	.1[illegible]
American-Canadian Oil	.06	.10
B. C. Amalgamated Coal	.02	.03
B. C. Copper	....	8.25
B. C. Pulp & Paper	....	.90
Bakeries, Limited	....	5.50
Capital Furniture	....	9.00
Canadian Northwest Oil	....	.75
Canadian Con. S. & R.	85.00	....
Canadian Marconi	....	1.25
Cariboo Camp McK.	.01	.02½
Diamond Coal	....	.35
Diamond Vale C. & I.	.15	....
Dominion Copper	....	1.35
Great West Permanent	....	120.00
International Coal & Coke	.72	....
Nicola Valley C. & C.	60.00	....
Nootka Marble Quarries	....	10.00
Pingree Mines, Limited	....	.15
Pacific Whaling	80.00	....
Portland Canal M. & D.	.07	....
Prudential Investment	....	95.00
Pacific Coast Fire	100.00	124.00
Perfection Pressed Brick	....	100.00
Royal Collieries	.32	.37
Silica Brick	....	7.00
Snowstorm	....	2.25
United Wireless (unstamped)	....	18.50
United Wireless (stamped)	....	3.50
Western Oil	....	.80

Sales.

5 United Wireless (unstamped) 18.50
500 Pingree Mines, Ltd. .... .15

NEW YORK STOCKS

(By Courtesy F. W. Stevenson & Co.)

	High.	Low.	Bid.
Allis Chalmers	15½	15	15
Amal. Copper	85	83	83⅜
Amer. Car & Foundry	46⅞	46½	46⅝
Do., pref.	..	..	107
Amer. Cotton Oil	42½	41½	42½
Amer. Ice	25⅞	25⅝	25⅝
Amer. Loco.	56½	55½	55½
Amer. Sugar	..	..	131½
Amer. Smelt.	92⅞	90	90½
Anaconda	50½	49	49
Amer. Woollen	..	..	31
Atchison	98⅞	98½	98½
Do., pref.	101⅞	101½	101⅞
B. & O.	108⅞	107½	107⅞
Do., pref.	..	..	92
B. R. T.	56½	55½	55½
C. P. R.	177½	176	176½
Central Leather	..	..	27⅞
Do., pref.	..	..	101
C. & G. W.	11⅞	11	11½
C., M. & St. P.	151½	149½	150½
C. & N. W.	..	..	173½
C. & O.	54⅞	52⅞	54⅞
Colo. Fuel & Iron	42	40	40½
Colo. Southern	54½	53⅞	53½
Do., 2nd pref.	65⅞	64½	64½
Do., 1st pref.	..	..	70
Corn Products	18½	18⅞	18½
Chicago & Alton	51⅞	50	50½
D. & H.	177½	176	177
D. & R. G.	37	35½	35⅞
Do., pref.	80½	80	79⅞
Erie	34⅞	33½	33½
Do., 2nd pref.	40	39½	39½
Do., 1st pref.	49⅞	48½	48½
Illinois Central	148½	147	147½
Inter-Met.	15½	14½	14½
L. & N.	122⅞	122½	112
Manhattan Ry.	..	..	149
M., K. & T.	39	38½	38⅞
Do., pref.	71⅞	71	71
Missoupri Pac.	67½	65⅞	66½
National Lead	82⅞	83	82
M., St. P. & S. S. M.	132½	132	131⅞
Do., pref.	..	..	147½
Mackay	..	..	75
Do., pref.	..	..	79
Newhouse	..	..	6
Third Ave.	34½	34	34
N. Y. C.	117⅞	117	115
N. Y., O. & W.	46⅞	45½	45½
N. & W.	87½	83⅞	83½
Cons. Gas	163⅞	162½	163
North American	..	..	71½
N. P.	143½	141⅞	141⅞
Pacific Mail S. S. Co.	38½	37	37
Pennsylvania Ry.	120⅞	120½	120½
People's Gas	..	..	100½
Pressed Steel Car	..	..	38½
Do., pref.	..	..	98
Reading	141½	138½	140
Do., 2nd pref.	99	98⅞	92
Do., 1st pref.	..	..	91
Repub. Iron & Steel	26⅞	26⅞	26½
Do., pref.	87	86½	86
Rock Island	24½	23⅞	24
Do., pref.	62½	61⅞	60½
Gen. Elec.	158⅞	157½	157
St. L. & S. F., 1st pref.	63⅞	63	63
Do., 2nd pref.	41	40½	40
St. L. & S. W.	23½	22⅞	23
Do., pref.	54½	53⅞	53⅞
S. P.	118⅞	117½	117½
Do., pref.	..	..	121½
Southern Ry.	26	25	25½
Do., pref.	60½	58⅞	58⅞
Tennessee Copper	45½	44½	45½
Texas & Pacific	35⅞	34½	34½
T., St. L. & W.	..	..	39½
Do., pref.	..	..	62⅞
U. P.	181½	178⅞	180½
Do., pref.	95½	95	94½
U. S. Rubber	..	..	34½
Do. 1st pref.	..	..	107½
U. S. Steel Co.	55⅞	54½	54½
Do., pref.	113	112½	112½
Wabash	17⅞	17	17½
Do., pref.	42⅞	42	42
Western Union Telegraph	71	69½	69⅞
Wisconsin Central	30½	30	30
Do., pref.	..	..	63
Distillers Sec.	35	34½	34½
Utah Copper	48⅞	48½	47⅞
G. N.	144½	143	143
Virginia Chemical	44⅞	44	43⅞
Int. Paper	..	..	11⅞
Int. Pump	30⅞	30½	30½
Pacific Coast	81½	81	80

Total sales, 705,100.

COPPER MARKET

(By Courtesy F. W. Stevenson & Co.)

Bostri, Dec. 5.

	Bid.	Asked.
Adventure	9⅞	10
Allouez	39	40
Arcadian	4½	4⅞
Atlantic	18	19
Boston Cons.	16½	16⅞
Butte Coalition	27½	27⅞
Black Mountain	32	32
Calumet & Arizona	119½	120
Centennial	34½	40
Copper Range	81⅞	82
Daly-West	10½	11
Davis-Daly	1 1-16	1 3-16
East Butte	8	8½
First National	7½	8
Granby Copper	103½	104
Greene Cananea	11	11½
Hancock	11⅞	12
Isle Royale	24	24½
Keweenaw	5⅞	5½
Lake	23⅞	23⅞
La Salle	15	15½
Mass	7	7½
Bay State Gas	90	92
Michigan	14	14½
Miami	12⅞	..
Mohawk	70	70½
Nevada Cons.	19½	19½
North Butte	86	86½
Old Dominion	50	50½
Parrot Mining	96	96½
Shannon Copper	18	18½
Superior & Pittsburg	19	20
Superior Copper	33½	34
Superior & Boston	16½	16⅞
Trinity	17½	18
Victoria	33⅞	33⅞
United Copper	13⅞	14
U. S. Smelt. & Ref.	45	45½
Do., pref.	46½	46½
Utah Consolidated	46½	46⅞
Utah Copper	48	48½
Winona	6½	6⅞
Wolverine	150	152
Yukon Gold	4⅞	4⅞

NEW YORK COTTON

(By Courtesy F. W. Steveson & Co.)

New York, Dec. 5.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Jan.	8.75	8.80	8.74	8.79-80
Feb.	....	8.81	8.75	8.80-82
March	8.76	....	....	8.80-82
April	....	....	....	8.80-82
May	8.80	8.85	8.79	8.84-85
June	....	....	....	8.80-82
July	8.78	8.80	8.75	8.80-82
Aug.	8.69	....	....	8.70-72
Oct.	....	8.58	8.52	8.57-58
Dec.	8.13	8.16	8.10	8.15-16

MONTREAL STOCKS

(By Courtesy F. W. Stevenson & Co.)

Montreal, Dec. 5.

	Bid.	Asked.
Bell Telephone	140	141
C. P. R.	176½	176⅞
Detroit United Ry.	54½	55½
Dom. Coal	58	59
Do., pref.	100	..
Dom. Iron & S.	20⅞	21
Do., pref.	73⅞	74½
Lake of Woods	97	97½
Do., pref.	117⅞	..
Laurentide Paper	110	111
Mackay	76	76⅞
Do., pref.	70⅞	71
Montreal Lt. & P.	108	108½
Montreal St. Ry.	202	204
Montreal Telegraph	141	..
Nova Scotia Steel	53½	54
Do., pref.	114½	114½
Ogilvie Mlg. Co.	114½	115
Do., pref.	120	125
R. & O. Navigation Co.	74	75
Sao Paulo Tram	150	155½
Toronto Ry. Co.	107	107½
Twin City Rap. Trans.	93⅞	94

Banks.

	Bid.	Asked.
Commerce	168	..
Imperial	217	..
Merchants	..	164
Molsons	201½	202½
Nova Scotia	279	280

VANCOUVER STOCK EXCHANGE

(By Courtesy F. W. Stevenson & Co.)

Listed Stocks.

	Bid.	Asked.
Alberta Coal & Coke Co.	..	10
Burton Saw Works	..	120
International Coal & Coke Co.	75	78
Portland Canal M. Co.	8	10½

Unlisted Stocks.

	Bid.	Asked.
American-Canadian Oil	9	12
B. C. Copper Co.	7½	8½
B. C. Permanent Loan	120	..
B. C. Pulp & Paper Co.	..	100
B. C. Trust Corp.	..	95
Canadian Northwest Oil	..	46
Cariboo Camp McK.	1½	2½
Diamond Vale Coal & Iron	16½	18½
Dominion Trust Co.	130	..
Great West Permanent	..	115
Nicola Valley Coal & Coke	..	75
Northern Bank	87	..
Rambler Cariboo	15	..
Royal Collieries	34	35
Sullivan	..	2½
Vancouver Ice & C. S.	120	..

Coeur D'Alene.

	Bid.	Asked.
Alameda	2½	3½
Gertie	2	3½
Humming Bird	5	7½
Idora, pref.	2½	4
Missoula Copper	..	4
Nabob	2½	4
O. K. Cons.	1	2
Rex (16 to 1)	6½	..
Snowstorm	205	215
Stewart	100	..
Tamarack & Chesapeake	..	85
Wonder	2	3

Sales.

500 International Coal 76
1,000 Royal Collieries 34

GRAIN MARKET.

(By Courtesy F. W. Stevenson & Co.)

Chicago, Dec. 5.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Wheat—				
Dec.	105½	105⅞	105	105½
May	110⅞	110⅞	110½	110⅞
July	103⅞	103⅞	103½	103⅞
Corn—				
Dec.	61⅞	62	61½	61½
May	63½	63½	62⅞	63
July	62½	62½	62½	62⅞
Sept.	62½	62½	62⅞	62⅞
Oats—				
Dec.	50	50	49⅞	49⅞
May	52⅞	52⅞	52½	52½
July	47½	47½	47½	47⅞
Pork—				
Dec.	....	....	....	14.52
Jan.	15.95	16.10	15.95	16.05
May	16.22	16.35	16.22	16.30
Lard—				
Dec.	....	....	....	9.17
Jan.	9.25	9.30	9.22	9.27
May	9.40	9.47	9.40	9.45
Short Ribs—				
Jan.	8.35	8.40	8.35	8.35
May	8.55	8.62	8.55	8.40

Bank Statement

(By Courtesy F. W. Stevenson & Co.)

New York, Dec. 6.

Clearing house banks, cash reserve, 26.97 per cent.

Reserves, dec.	$ 7,958,875
Do., less U. S., dec.	7,914,375
Loans, inc.	6,605,200
Specie, dec.	7,720,400
Legals, dec.	549,100
Deposits, dec.	1,242,500
Circulation, inc.	417,600

Actual cash reserves, 26.53 per cent.

Reserves, dec.	$ 4,350,400
Do., less U. S., dec.	4,391,775
Loans, dec.	9,003,400
Specie, dec.	7,393,500
Legals, dec.	1,577,000
Deposits, dec.	20,880,400
Circulation, inc.	1,253,800

Other banks;

Loans, inc.	$20,587,600
Specie, dec.	172,600
Legals, inc.	958,700
Total deposits, inc.	13,914,700
Eliminating, etc., inc.	22,758,700

COBALT STOCKS

(By Courtesy F. W. Stevenson & Co.)

	Bid.	Asked.
Beaver Cons.	..	33
Chambers Ferland	85	..
Cobalt Central	61	..
Cobalt Lake	..	19
Crown Reserve	265	269
Kerr Lake	600	..
McKim Dar. Savage	101	105
Nova Scotia	..	61
Paterson Lake	34½	35
Silver Leaf	..	120

CHARGE IS LAID OF ASSAULTING CONSTABLE

Evidence Produced in Case—Adjournment Taken Until Tuesday.

Harry Lalune, bartender, was charged in police court this morning with having assaulted Constable John Ireland while the latter was in discharge of his duty. The affair took place on Pandora street, just off Government street, at half past twelve on Thursday morning.

In his evidence in court this morning Lalune made the accusation that the constable was intoxicated, and this is declared by other witnesses not to have been so. Further evidence is to be produced on Tuesday as to Ireland's sobriety.

J. A. Aikman is defending Lalune.

The constable had been attending a lodge meeting on Wednesday evening and was on his way home with a friend, being in plain clothes, when he was attracted by a noise up Pandora street. There appeared to have been a row, he said, and another was evidently about to break out when he went up to Lalune, told him he was a constable and showed his badge and ordered him to move on. Lalune replied that he did not care who or what he was, swore he would kick his head off and then they came together and went to the ground. There was a crowd of about twenty people present and while on the ground some of them kicked at him. He called to his friend to go for the patrol.

Cross-examined the constable denied that he was himself intoxicated. He did not remember saying that he did not know what charge he could lay against Lalune.

Detective O'Leary was walking along Government street when he was attracted by loud voices down Pandora street and he went to where there was a group of ten or twelve men. Ireland told him there had been a row and that the accused had struck him. Lalune's answer was that he had not struck him but had only put him down and held him down, and added that it was lucky he had not kicked his head off. The patrol wagon came up at the same time. C. F. Harrison, a friend of the constable, who had been walking home with him, corroborated his story up to the time when he (Harrison) had gone for the patrol wagon.

Magistrate Jay considered that the evidence so far had disclosed that the constable heard loud talking following a row and went down to disperse the crowd, in doing which he was acting quite within his duty. Accused admitted to Detective O'Leary that he had held Ireland down, and this certainly was an interference with him.

Lalune's story was that on his way home he found some fellows he knew fighting in a group of seven or eight and got them separated, and while advising them to go off quietly Ireland came along and pushed him down the street. He grappled with the man and put him down, when he saw his badge for the first time, upon which he caught him by the two hands and after holding him for half a minute pulled him up. Lalune said "He would not like to have the jag that Ireland had on, from the way he was acting."

City Prosecutor Moore pointed out the serious nature of this statement and advised the accused to think it over, as it would now be necessary to produce evidence in rebuttal to prove the constable's sobriety. Lalune replied that he would not swear to it but the constable acted "awful funny."

"You must take it back or stick to it. Was the constable's action the result of excitement or do you swear that he was the worse for liquor or not?" came the question of the prosecutor.

"I stick to it," was the reply.

George Andrews, a bartender, said he and Lalune were advising one of the fighters to go home when Ireland came along and told Lalune he had better go home. The two clinched and went down, and witness advised Lalune not to fight. When Ireland got up he displayed his badge and said he was an officer. This was the first they knew of that.

W. R. Cadman and Leonard Bailey did not throw much light on the matter. The latter said there were about twenty-five in the crowd.

An adjournment was granted until Tuesday, but for convenience Harrison's evidence was taken in rebuttal. He said he and Ireland left the lodge-room at 11:30, had one drink of whisky and then had supper before starting home. Ireland was perfectly sober.

—The police have found no trace so far of Alexander Knowles, who has not been seen since he left the Hotel Metropole, Vancouver, on November 2nd, to return to Victoria. Friends have gone over to Vancouver to endeavor to trace his movements there. The theory still gains credence that while crossing Knowles must have fell overboard. His overcoat was checked on the steamer on the date he left the hotel and has never been claimed.

Conversation is a good form of exercise for those afflicted with heart disease.

GREENHOUSE CHANGES HANDS.

Wilkerson and Brown Have Bought Out E. Laing's Quarters.

Wilkerson and Brown, the well-known florists, have purchased the greenhouse of E. Laing at the corner of Fort and Cook street. This was formerly owned by J. T. Higgins, but for some months past has been in the hands of Mr. Laing.

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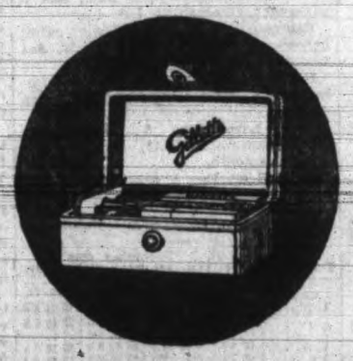

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"Texas," which will be presented at the Victoria theatre on Monday night, is essentially a play of rapid action, for in a country where a man is shot first and called a liar afterwards, quickness, especially with a gun, is a necessary qualification. The management has given "Texas" a most elaborate production. The cast has been selected with due regard for their special fitness for the parts they are called upon to portray. "Texas" has been rehearsed for the West under the personal supervision of the author, and is being presented by George Broadhurst, author of the two great plays, "The Man of the Hour" and "The Call of the North."

Scene from "The Devil," to be presented at Victoria Theatre Wednesday evening.

"The Devil" on Wednesday.

The most discussed play in the entire world to-day is Franz Molnar's Hungarian comedy, "The Devil," which Henry W. Savage is now producing at the Garden theatre, New York, to audiences that tax the capacity of that commodious play house. To say that the play has created a sensation is to fall far short of the truth. It has caused a veritable furore in every city where it has been seen.

It is, therefore, a matter of satisfaction among local theatregoers that this play is presented at the Victoria theatre on Wednesday next.

The production to be given here is the only correct and authorized Henry W. Savage version, which was translated directly from the original, by arrangement with the author and adapted for the American stage by Oliver Herford. Owing to the success of his companies in New York, Philadelphia, Chicago and other large cities, Mr. Savage has found it impossible to present the play in the smaller centres of population and has given permission to James D. Barton & Company, the well-known theatrical firm, to make known the Savage version of the play in this city. The production will be the same in every respect as that now being given by Mr. Savage's companies in New York, Philadelphia, Boston and Chicago. There is a splendid company headed by Ramsey Wallace, the well-known leading man. The scenery has been painted by Arthur Voegtlin, the famous scenic artist of the New York Hippodrome.

"Arizona."

Augustus Thomas, in a recent interview, is authority for the statement that his play "Arizona," which will be seen at the Victoria theatre Thursday night, is in reality based on actual incidents. Mr. Thomas, several years ago, being in poor health, decided to visit on the ranch of a friend located in Arizona. While there several stories were afloat concerning the actions of a certain captain in the United States cavalry and the wife of his colonel, who were located at the fort, about fifteen miles from the ranch. On investigation of these stories, the fertile brain of Mr. Thomas conceived the idea of writing a play, which would, in the main, take in the principal features of the principal parties actions. He immediately devoted his time to looking up all minor details of the life at cavalry fort, and also studied very carefully the people connected with his friend's ranch, not even excepting the ranchman himself, whom he has made the central figure of his charming play. That the idea was well worth the trouble to which Mr. Thomas was put, is shown in the tremendous success which "Arizona" has achieved ever since its initial production.

Characters in "Texas" at Victoria Theatre on Monday night.

Arion Concert on Tuesday.

The reserved seat plan for the opening concert of the seventeenth season of the Arion Club, which will be held at the Victoria theatre on Tuesday evening opened this morning at 10 o'clock and as is usual there was a rush for seats. Nearly all the subscribers of last season have renewed their subscription, and a number of new names have been added to the list. Those wishing to procure season tickets can do so by applying to W. S. Goodwin, the club secretary, or to Herbert Kent at Waitt's music store. It is well to bear in mind that tickets for any particular concert cannot be purchased, only those having subscribed for the season being entitled to admission tickets.

Those assisting the club on this occasion will be Mrs. Herman Robertson, Mrs. R. H. Pooley and Miss Miles, the latter acting as club accompanist. Mrs. Pooley will be heard in two vocal solos, and will also sing a number with the club.

Mrs. Robertson and E. H. Russell will play one of Mendelssohn's concertos for two pianos.

Some of the numbers to be sung at this concert by the club are Barcarole, the Song of the Viking; Silent Recollections; Idyll Mongolienne, a chorus in pidgin English of the words, "Sing a Song of Sixpence."

The programme will be opened by the club singing "O, Canada" the Chant Nationale of Canada, and which will be heard for the first time in this city. This composition was originally arranged for mixed voices, but has been arranged for male voices by the club conductor.

The New Grand.

To-night will be the last opportunity to see the beautiful bronze statue act at the New Grand, and the other good items which make up the programme, which has been a most pleasing and successful one. The other numbers include Jos. J. and Myra Davis Dowling in their funny sketch, "A Snap Shot"; the two Ingrams, eccentric juggling and contortion act; Jno. Fields in monologue and song and the illustrated song and moving pictures.

Next week's bill will include five big feature acts, besides the usual stock numbers. Brockson and Burns, two blackface comedians, late of Dockstader's minstrels, will provide fun fast and furious. The absurdity of some of their acts is indescribably funny, and their burlesque conjuring and acrobatic performance is one of the most laughable that has been presented here. Herbert Cyril will present "The English Johnnie," singing his own creations, "Hello, Hello, Hello"; "It's a Different Girl Again," "The Worst of Being So Beastly Well Connected," "When There Isn't a Girl About," etc. John Bird has an act that is entirely different from anything else on the stage. He goes through an entire burlesque drama, playing all the parts himself, his principal "props" being an assortment of hats that he changes with amazing rapidity. Mr. Birch has in his act a genuine novelty that is bound to please any audience, as his humor appeals to all alike. James and Lucie Cooper have a thoroughly funny rapid-fire talking act in "Chattering Chums," introducing burlesque comedy, low comedy and anything else that makes a laugh. Bus Bruno is a dialect comedian who is a thorough master of dialects, and gives French, Irish, Swedish, Chinese, Scotch, English and others in rapid succession and all with remarkable fidelity. Thos. J. Price will sing a new illustrated song entitled "Don't You Understand, Honey?" New moving pictures will be "A Gilded Fool," and the orchestra will play selections from "Woodland," by Luders as an overture.

Pantages.

A joyous band of colored jubilee singers will be at Pantages theatre next week in a rousing programme of melody and fun. The southern quartette has a big reputation wherever vaudeville is known, and being excellent singers, with a line of spontaneous comedy peculiar to the South never fail to please.

Montana Jack in a mystifying magic act has a finish to his offering which is intensely interesting. His exhibition of knife throwing is also of a high order. The Fairchilds, lady and gentleman, in a Hebrew comedy and singing specialty, come direct from the big eastern circuit, which alone stamps them as good. Mlle. Fairchilds is none other than the famous "Double Voiced Prima Donna." Another feature is yet to be announced. The illustrated song by Harry De Verra is intitled "Wont You Wait, Nellie Dear," and another double set of funny notion pictures on the biograph "Anti-Hair Powder" and "Heard Over the Phone," complete a bill which will doubtless attract large audiences to the Johnson street theatre next week.

Anty Drudge on Cold Lunches.

Anty Drudge—"Why, Mr. Sorrowful, what makes you sit on the doorstep?"

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AMATEUR RULING BODY IS FORMED

All Athletes Open for Registration—Delegates Go to Vancouver.

Delegates representing over one thousand athletes were present at the meeting called in the Y. M. C. A. last night by A. J. Brace and Dan O'Sullivan for the purpose of forming a branch of the British Columbia Amateur Athletic Union in Victoria. The delegates were of one mind that a union is needed here and the outcome was the formation of the Victoria branch of the B. C. A. A. U., and the sending of two delegates away last night to represent the city at the meeting of the union to be held to-night at the Amateur Sports' Club rooms, Vancouver.

The object of the union, as explained by Mr. O'Sullivan, voted to the chair, was the registration of players of all kinds of sports through the British Columbia cities. The movement had commenced and similar city branches to that formed here had been organized in the last two weeks in Vancouver, Westminster, Nanaimo and Ladysmith. Delegates from each city would meet this afternoon in Vancouver to form one central and governing union there.

The necessity of the foundation being laid here was spoken to by all the delegates. It was admitted that the Canadian definition of amateur was a tighter one than that of other countries, but it was felt some distinctive manner of recognition of each order of sport is necessary.

The probable outcome is that players connected with athletic clubs will be registered on the books of the local union as amateurs. Their names will be transferred to the governing body. Any acts not in keeping with amateur status will bring an athlete before the local body where he will be judged, the report sent on to the ruling body with a recommendation for his being marked off the amateur records if the charges of professionalism are proved.

The registration books will probably open next week and the names of all athletes who intend to play amateur sports will be entered therein on application. The formation of the union here will wipe out all past differences. Every man playing games, who has not been shipped in here for the purpose of catching up an amateur registration, will be entered on the list and awarded an amateur start. If athletes have no desire to remain amateurs their names will be withdrawn upon their professional career commencing.

The case of Rendell's came up for discussion, but it was considered unwise to open up the old ground. Mr. Hutchison, a member of that organization, however, left with the assurance that all the Rendell men would be admitted to amateur status with the opening of the new role.

A meeting will be called for next week, upon the return of the delegates from Vancouver. Their report will be heard and it is probable officers of the local body will be elected and working plans provided at once. Organizations represented were: Y. M. C. A., J. B. A. A., Corona A. C., Victoria West A. A. and Rendell's Club.

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SPORTING NOTES.

The first inter-city Rugby game of the season is being played this afternoon at Oak Bay between Victoria and Vancouver. The game will count in the series for the McKechnie cup. Victoria goes to Vancouver on December 19th to play the second game in the series.

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Victoria soccer team is at Vancouver this afternoon playing the mainland team in the Pacific coast league.

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Vancouver plays Seattle to-morrow at Seattle in the Pacific Coast league. The Vancouver team is Horne, Gunzeen, Saul, Forest, Graham, McLean, Jones, Robertson, Viner, Anderson and Wilson. The two games are those set down for special dates at the last meeting of the club. The next games in the P. C. L. are Seattle at Victoria next Saturday and Seattle at Ladysmith the following day. Victoria will play at Nanaimo on Christmas Day.

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Cedar Hill is playing a challenge team at Clark's field this afternoon for a supper. The losers pay the bill.

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High school and North ward juniors are playing in the junior schedule to-day.

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The hockey teams are practicing this afternoon, the men at Beacon Hill park, and the ladies at Oak Bay. The men are getting into shape for the match against Vancouver at Brockton Point next Saturday.

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Victoria West and Esquimalt second teams are playing soccer at the Canteen ground this afternoon in the second division league series.

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ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL.

CORRIG COLLEGE BEAT OAK BAY.

Corrig college again defeated the Oak Bay soccer team at Beacon Hill yesterday afternoon by three to nothing. Up to the call of half time, the play was even, no score having been registered. The winners, however, played up to better form in the last half and registered three goals.

SEATTLE VS. VANCOUVER.

The following is the Seattle soccer team to play Vancouver to-morrow at Seattle in the Pacific Coast League: Goal, Archer; backs, Boyle and Hendry; halfbacks, Martin, Allison and Upton; forwards, McDougall, Pearson, Stalker, Adams and Cornthwaite.

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ATHLETICS.

ROYAL ATHLETIC MEETING.

The directors of the Royal Athletic Park met yesterday afternoon and made plans for the improvement of the grounds. The grounds will be ploughed, seeded, rolled and underdrained, and the work is to commence at once. The company decided to make a call on the stock of 20 per cent for the purposes of the improvements. The application from Mr. Watelett for the use of the park for a ball ground next summer was discussed and then taken under consideration.

BASKETBALL LEAGUE OPENS MONDAY NIGHT

Bays and North Ward to Meet at Assembly Rink in First Game.

The local basketball league opens next week commencing Monday night with the senior game in the Assembly rink between the Bays and North ward teams. Wednesday night there are two games down in the second division, and two games in the junior. The Esquimalt and Bays second teams play and the Shamrocks will meet the Y. M. C. A. The juniors to meet are the Y. M. C. A. and the High school, and the Bays and Victoria West.

The fight for the premier honors in the senior basketball league this year will be strong. The four teams, Bays, North Ward, Victoria West and Y. M. C. A., have splendid material this year, and the games will be keenly fought before the close of the season.

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EVERTON TWO POINTS AHEAD OF NEWCASTLE

Albion Leads Second Teams—Southampton Tops Southern.

Everton still leads in the first division of the English soccer league, having played thirteen games with ten wins, two defeats and one draw, while the next team is Newcastle United eight wins, two losses and three draws. Sheffield, Manchester and Ashton have played but twelve games each and are seventeen, sixteen and fifteen points, respectively, while the leaders are twenty-one points. The other teams are practically out of the running.

West Bromwich Albion has risen to the top of the second division with 19 points, seven wins, two games lost and five draws. Birmingham is now second a point behind, and Fulham and Derby county are level for third place with 17 points each. Birmingham, however, has played by thirteen games against the leaders fourteen, while Fulham has played twelve. The top position to the Albions is therefore, not yet secure.

In the southern league Southampton is still at the top with 22 points for 15 games, while Chrystal Palace with 17 games is second with 20 points. Northampton, third, has played only 13 matches and tallied 19 points so that the premier honors are not yet settled with any degree of certainty in this league either. The results quoted are up to November 15th.

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TELLS OF LIPTON'S NEXT CHALLENGE

Has Practically Commissioned Fife to Build New Yacht.

In discussing the probability of further races for the America cup, Wm. Fife, the famous yacht builder, stated to Capt. Watts, of Vancouver, during his recent trip to the Old Country, that just a short time previously Sir Thomas Lipton had a conference with him and had practically commissioned him to build the next cup challenger for a final attempt to lift the historic trophy. The Irish baronet will probably not make his attempt until the summer of 1910—if the New York Yacht Club will condescend to accept the challenge. One factor which led largely to Sir Thomas' determination to challenge once more for the cup was the success which his new 76-foot racer, the Shamrock, achieved in competition against the fastest of the English yachts during the past season. This Shamrock embodies all the new ideas of Fife in compliance with the new international rating rules, and when the Fairlee wizard finally builds the Shamrock IV—which is to be the name of the next cup challenger—she will be an improvement on the last Shamrock, besides being larger, probably just under 90 feet rating.

Capt. Watts states that some beautiful specimens of Fife's work were on the ways there when he visited the Fairlee plant. As an illustration of the careful attention to small details which Fife gives in order to get the best speed results from the racing craft he designs, Capt. Watts mentioned that one well known English cup racer that he had designed and built early last summer was on the ways having her lead keel moved three inches forward to give her a better trim in windward work. What impressed Capt. Watts the most about the wizard of Fairlee was the fact that no matter how fast a boat he turned out he was constantly seeking better results—and invariably getting them, as his record for years past shows.

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THE RING.

BRITT TO MEET SUMMERS.

London, Dec. 4.—Jimmy Britt, the San Francisco lightweight, and Johnny Summers, the English lightweight, are arranging to fight February 22nd for a purse of $4,000 offered by the National Sporting Club.

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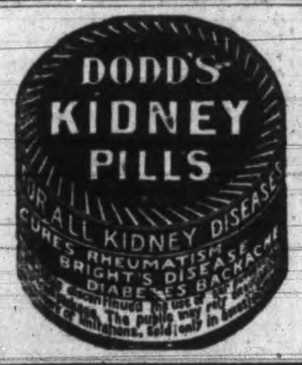

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A plan of the said proposed wharf and a description by metes and bounds of the proposed site of the same, have been deposited with the Minister of Public Works at Ottawa, and duplicates thereof have been deposited in the office of the Registrar of Deeds for the said City of Victoria, the same being the Land Registry Office at Victoria aforesaid.

Victoria, B. C., the 3rd December, 1908.
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AUSTRALIA'S NEW PRIME MINISTER

CHARACTER SKETCH OF HON. ANDREW FISHER.

By James De Conlay, jr., in the Montreal Standard.

As a feature attraction for immigrants to Australia, the Commonwealth advertisements proudly announce that "every man and woman may vote"—and with no immodesty, the word "frequently" might easily have been added. If there be any fun in casting a vote, then Australians are surely given to pleasure; for in the triangle party system — the great obstacle to practical legislation—opportunities for voting and electioneering occur often enough to satisfy the most exacting politician.

When the Australian electors have finished winding up the federal triangle for certain necessary legislation, they generally have a little crisis in the state assembly waiting for attention. When this is straightened out, the federal parties are run down and ready for another readjustment.

Last week Mr. Alfred Deakin, while actually leader of a microscopic minority in a three-party House, was anxiously directing the administration; the Labor party, while forcing on certain legislation and evading the responsibility for its enactment, were serenely directing Mr. Alfred Deakin; while scattered all over the Commonwealth were labor unions, bossed by agitators, who were not directing, but driving Mr. Andrew Fisher and his party.

Mr. Deakin's Fall.

The class of legislation introduced by Mr. Deakin was not radical enough to suit the agitators, who pushed Mr. Fisher, who pushed Mr. Deakin, who having no one to push, simply resigned. Then followed confusion. Mr. George H. Reid, one time free trade champion, now leader of the opposition, sat quiet and waited for word from the governor-general, who was conferring with Mr. Deakin. His Excellency sent word, not to Mr. Reid, but to Mr. Fisher.

The new administration, seated on the treasury benches, meets the House for the first time, it may suffer a defeat from a united opposition within a few hours. Then, once more, confusion. Such are the vagaries of Australian politics.

Several years ago I met Mr. Andrew Fisher, the new prime minister of Australia, for the last time at the House of Representatives in Melbourne. The Federal Labor party at that time was in early youth; it was timid of its powers, but very serious, and the young miner from Gympie was one of its most devoted members. We were both from Queensland, and I was getting out on a journalistic enterprise which was to carry me round the globe.

Mr. Fisher, in wishing me "good luck," impressed me with my great good fortune, and with a note of yearning in his voice, confided the fact that if Fate ever dealt him such a "lucky hand" he would consider his ambition attained. That was six years ago. To-day the serious young miner who regarded a precarious newspaper enterprise as a gift from the gods, is administering the affairs of a whole continent.

Scottish Born.

Born in Ayrshire, Scotland, in 1862, equipped only with an alert, well-poised mind and a sprinking of "canniness," at the age of twenty-three he emigrated to Queensland, securing work at once in the Gympie mines. Like most of the Scotch immigrants, he immediately interested himself in the serious side of politics, and in 1893 he was elected to the state assembly as senior member for Gympie, later on becoming vice-president of the House Labor party. In seeking re-election three years later he met with his only defeat, but was successful again in the campaign of 1899.

It was during this parliament that Mr. Fisher accepted a portfolio in the famous Dawson administration, which was the first Labor government to assume control in the history of the world. This administration had claims other than this to fame, however. Mr. Dawson, mustering his cabinet after the distribution of portfolios, led all his colleagues off to be photograhped; then returned to meet the House, to be defeated ignobly on the first division. His government lived but twenty-four hours. Since 1901 Mr. Fisher has represented Wide Bay in the Federal House of Representatives, and in 1904 took office as minister of trade and customs in Mr. Watson's Labor administration.

Doubtless Andrew Fisher owes his present elevation to a devout unremitting application to professional politics from the Labor point of view. Those who knew him as a neopyhte always remarked him for his obvious seriousness and sincerity.

Events Move Swiftly.

But if political events move confusedly in Australia, they also move swiftly, and the personal success of Mr. Fisher is no more remarkable than the success of his party. It is the triumph of the professional over the dilettante. Other members call themselves Protectionists, Free Traders and various party names, but with few exceptions they have their private businesses to care for, and perforce, their interest in parliamentary proceedings must be casual. With the Laborites politics is a profession, and they have no other cares to distract.

Their constituents take them from a "two pounds a week job," and elect them to parliament, eight pounds a week, and a railway pass over a continent. In return the constituents are exacting; they demand attention to business and actual results. As a consequence, Labor benches are always full, the members present sitting confident and alert, watching every move and taking advantage of every openina.

During the months of recess they scatter over the country, organizing the Labor vote, influencing opinion, and getting in touch with the desires of their constituents, which invariably find legislative expression in the following sesion.

Should Mr. Fisher remain in office, it is certain that he will proceed cautiously, attempting nothing very radical. Personally Mr. Fisher is a man of marked common sense, a moderate; but personalities count for nothing in a labor caucus.

In the present upset an important phase of Australian political opinion has been once more emphasized. No matter how the cards are dealt in the shuffle of this week, the fiscal policy of the Commonwealth will remain unchanged. Amid all the party noises of the present political cacophony there has not been heard a single Cobdenite wait. Protection in Australia is immutably established.

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There is a Chinese saying: "The most important thing in life is to get buried well." In one old Chinese novel the wife of an official lay in her coffin at her house for forty-nine days. One hundred and eight Buddhists bonzes performed the high confession mass, while at an altar in the Tower of Heavenly Fragrance nine times nine "virtuous priests" stood for nineteen days in prayer.

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REVOLUTION IN THE SOUTH SEAS

Natives Haul Down the British Flag and Appoint Government.

Advices from New Zealand just received here state that on July 1st last the natives of Rakahanga, in the Cook group, hauled down the British flag, and, after ejecting the island council, appointed their own government, judges and police. The ringleader of the movement is a dismissed teacher of the London Missionary Society.

The federal council of the Cook islands has declined to be represented in the New Zealand parliament on the ground that the islands are included in the Dominion for Imperial purposes only.

Rakahanga has an area of two square miles, with a population of between 350 and 400, and is 670 miles distant from Raratonga, the chief island of the group.

HENRY BARNATO DIES IN LONDON

"Penny Wise and Pound Foolish" Multi-millionaire Leaves $75,000,000.

London, Dec. 5.—In the death of Henry Barnato London has lost a remarkable multi-millionaire. He was born in the White Chapel district, and known there as Harry Isaacs, and was a brother of the late Barney Barnato, the famous multi-millionaire. The two brothers went as vaudeville performers to the diamond fields of South Africa. Harry has left a fortune of $75,000,000 or more. Harry was as eccentric as his famous borther. He carried cheques for $300,000 and $400,000 in his pocket, and allowed his $10 a week clerks to buy him drinks without return. He was always covered with diamonds like an opera star.

He spent thousands of pounds buying thoroughbreds, but if the weekly feed bill exceeded his estimate by a few pence he was miserable. He fought his tailor for months over 35 cents, yet spent thousands of pounds for a spectacular dinner at the Gaiety hotel at the end of the Rushian war. He would not tip the waiters.

The Franco-British Exhibition in London has at last closed its doors. Much has been achieved by the creation of this exhibition both from national and commercial points of view. It has been instrumental in enabling nations throughout the world to learn more of each other; above all it has justified its title of "Franco-British" Exhibition. The English and the French speaking peoples are now more than ever before united in a reciprocal friendship that will practically make for the peace of Europe and in fact of the world.

All that is best in art was brought from France to the Englishman both of the colonies and at home, for at the exhibition was to be seen all that is best in painting, sculpture and applied arts.

The colonies also were well represented and our own colony made a splendid display of the country's products. The Mother Country showed the best of her productions, but nowhere was the supremacy of English industries more marked than in the Textile section. Here could be seen, for the world to look at, those wonderful looms used in the weaving of English woollens. In the same section were also exhibited the finest examples of English tailoring which naturally excels in the home country. For, just as France is noted for its wine, just as our own country for its wheat producing, so England is noted for its cloth and London for its tailoring. As a proof of this it may truly be said that there is not a court, chancellory or noble house throughout the world where London-made tailoring is not in evidence. Prominent among the tailoring exhibitors at the Franco-British Exhibition were Messrs. Curzon Bros., the World Measure Tailors, whose name will probably not be unknown in Canada. It will surely not come as a great surprise to many of our readers to learn that Messrs. Curzon Bros. carried off the gold medal prize for the excellence of their tailoring and for their unique methods of business. Their system is a most clever one, for by their self-measurement charts they are able to fit clients in all parts of the Empire no matter how far distant.

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CONCERT SEATS.

Musical Society Makes Generous Offer to Bona Fide Musical Students.

The Victoria Musical Society has decided to place the top boxes in the theatre at the disposal of students at the rate of $3 per seat for the three remaining concerts, which is at the rate of $1 each seat per concert.

To ensure these season tickets being issued to bona fide students, they must be applied for by the music teachers of the city on behalf of their pupils and the committee of the society will rely upon the teachers that the privilege is not abused. There are four boxes containing six seats each.

The committee feel that in affording this opportunity of hearing the world's great artists at a small fee the pupils will be encouraged thereby to persevere in their studies and that the students, the musical profession and the musical growth of the city generally will be stimulated and assisted thereby.

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SOCIAL EVENTS

Mr. E. P. Colley is leaving on a trip to England.

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Major and Mrs. Dupont entertained a number of friends at lunch to-day.

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Mrs. W. J. Rogers, of Cherry Creek, Kamloops, is the guest of Mrs. F. Pemberton.

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Mrs. G. W. Haynes, John street, will not receive until the second Friday in January.

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Mrs. Shandley, of Fairfield road, is holding her post-nuptial reception this afternoon.

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Mrs. Rattenbury, of Oak Bay, received yesterday and many friends called at her home.

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J. C. Meadows Smith left yesterday for Vancouver, en route for Bermuda, where he will spend several months.

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Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Pemberton, accompanied by Mrs. Bass, have returned from a pleasant trip to Calgary.

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Miss Lillian J. Clark was the hostess at a very enjoyable little musicale last evening at her home on Niagara street.

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Mrs. Denison entertained a number of little folks very pleasantly yesterday afternoon at her pretty home on Superior street.

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Miss May Hamilton is leaving the Balmoral annex on Monday to reside at 1020 Collinson street, where she will be at home on the first Wednesday of each month.

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Mrs. Walter Winsby (nee Saunders) will receive at her residence, corner of Elford and Pandora streets, on Thursday, December 10th, for the first time since her marriage.

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Capt. and Mrs. Kirby, of Arrowhead, B. C., who were guests of Mrs. Humphries, of this city, left on Wednesday for home. Capt. Kirby is a brother of Mrs. Humphries.

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Mr. and Mrs. Isador Lancaster will be pleased to see their friends at their residence, 139 St. Lawrence street, near Dallas road, on Sunday afternoon and evening.

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W. H. Porter, accompanied by Miss Violet Porter, left this morning for Vancouver, en route for a three months' trip to the old country. They will sail by the Empress of Ireland.

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The home of Capt. Gosse, Belleville street, was the scene of a pleasant surprise party last night, twenty-five young people having assembled to spend the evening with his daughter, Miss Bella Gosse.

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Mrs. Butchart, of Tod's Inlet, who has taken Mrs. Robin Dunsmuir's house, Esquimalt road, for the winter, entertained at dinner last night. The covers were laid for fourteen and the decorations very artistic and effective.

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Mrs. Laurence, of Pandora street, was the hostess of a progressive whist party, followed by a dance, on Monday evening last. Twenty-five were present. The first prize, a dainty piece of hand-painted china, was won by Mrs. Wilson, and Mr. Pomfrey, who won the gentleman's prize, was the recipient of a handsome photo album. The decorations of the supper table were carried out most effectively with white chrysanthemums, red ribbons and candle shades, and asparagus ferns.

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The Invitation Club held a very enjoyable dance last evening in the A. O. U. W. hall, which was decorated for the occasion with red, white and blue bunting, the club's colors. S. A. Bantly's orchestra was in attendance and furnished a first class dance programme, which was thoroughly enjoyed by all. Between sixty and seventy couples were present, and the floor committee were most attentive in their efforts to make all have a good time. The dance commenced sharp at 8:30 and ended at 12. It is the intention of the Invitation Club to arrange for a fancy dress ball in the near future.

RARE.

Danny—Ma, what are the eccentricities of genius?

Mrs. Hasherly—One of 'em's when a poet pays his board bill.—Minneapolis Journal.

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VICTORIA WEST IS GROWING

MANY IMPROVEMENTS SHOWN IN SUBURB

Street Improvements Are in Progress and Many New Homes Erected.

One of the districts that has made more progress than perhaps any other in the city during the past year is Victoria West. For many years the complaint of the residents in that part of the city was that their needs were ignored by the city council and scarcely any development work was being done. The people of Victoria West continually complained that they were without sewers, the lighting was poor, the streets were worse. Property in that suburb was lower in value than in the other districts. Now, however, all this is being changed. The streets are being made, sewers constructed, sidewalks built, new sub-divisions opened up, and houses built in every direction.

The part that shows more change than perhaps any other is that bounded by Catherine street on one side and by Craigflower road on the other, where several new streets have been opened. The streets named, McPherson avenue, Fullerton avenue and Langford street, are on the old Bulkeley Orchard subdivision. The property was put on the market by McPherson and Fullerton Brothers and every lot, 60 in all, has been sold. On these fifteen houses have already been completed and two more are in course of erection. The real estate firm does not own a single lot in the sub-division at present. The streets are graded, cement sidewalks are built on both sides and sewers and water pipes are laid.

The older streets also show much improvement. On Catherine street the sidewalks have been built of cement on the nothern part, and the workmen are now clearing up that part in front of Mayor Hall's house, south of the Methodist church. A fine house has been built on the corner of Skinner and Russell streets for Mr. Harper, costing in the neighborhood of $6,000. At the corner of Craigflower and Pine streets J. H. Painter has a fine two-storey residence, while on Russell street there is another new house built by Mr. Kennedy. On this street too, is the fine new school recently built at a cost of $36,000, an institution which was very badly needed.

Farther along, near the Gorge, a number of new houses are either completed or in process of erection. There is the fine house built by the late Richard Collister, which cost at least $10,000, and others being built for R. Grubb, the real estate broker; A. Westcott, dry goods merchant; E. Whittington, contractor and timber merchant; Thomas Nicholson, and Mr. Rigby, of Gunson & Rigby. There has also been some building out in the direction of the B. C. Pottery works and the old Esquimalt road, and a new road has been built from Esquimalt road to the pottery works.

At Esquimalt the government has been building some streets back of the Soldiers' and Sailors' Home. The principal of these is Lisle street, and on it and the smaller streets running out of it, a good deal of building has been done.

In the neighborhood of the city limits Arthur Coles has a very fine new residence built on a block facing on Stanley street, and running through to Dunsmuir road. This house cost in the neighborhood of $10,000. On Esquimalt road Mr. Harvey, Dr. Fagan, A. S. Barton, Stanley McB. Smith and a number of others have erected residences, very pretty places, which are a great improvement to that part of the district.

On Head street George R. Robson, of the Hudson's Bay Company, is just finishing a fine house which, when completed, will have cost at least $4,000. On Lampson street a number of new houses have gone up, among them being one for Mr. Cherry, of Weiler Bros., and there are a couple of new residences opposite Mr. Pooley's residence.

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INDIGESTION, LOSS OF SLEEP, HEART PALPITATION.

A Case That Proves Prompt Action is Wise When Health is Poor.

"At night I would wake up with vague feelings of fear and numbness in my hands and other parts of the body," writes Mr. E. X. Smeaton, of St. John's. "I had grown thin and pale, and at night it was very difficult to get enough warmth in my feet to get asleep. My digestion was poor, and appetite very uncertain. The form of nervousness that worried me most was starting at every little thing, which resulted in such violent heart action as sometimes frightened me. Finally I had to give up my work, which was inside office work, so languid, nervous and weak had I become. Through the intervention of a friend I was induced to use Ferrozone. My appetite improved at once, circulation also improved and Ferrozone accomplished the renewal of my blood and natural warmth seemed to come back to my limbs. At the same time Ferrozone built up my constitution. I became quite strong and resumed my occupation. In brief, I am well."

Ferrozone is the only remedy of its kind in the world—it makes you feel better at once; when you are tired, dull, dispirited—when you feel there is nothing in life for you, that's the time to take Ferrozone.

What a change Ferrozone makes!

Your blood sings through your veins, carrying nourishment to every nook and corner of the body, you feel the exultant thrill of abundant nerve force, you learn the luxury and delight of being at your best—in perfect good health.

Just try Ferrozone and see how much better you feel; it's the one remedy in all the world that will get you bracing health at once. Sold everywhere, 50c. per box or six boxes for $2.50, at all dealers.

POLICY NEEDED FOR PUBLICITY

(Continued from page 1.)

"Lantern slides for lecturers, articles for newspapers, and minor forms of publicity have also been employed, and although the tourist trade this summer was light the preparatory work for next year's exhibition has been of a most important character.

"In addition to assisting in the entertainment of lodges, etc., we have been active in our efforts to secure the meeting here in 1910 of the Methodist General Conference—one of the largest and most important conclaves to be held in Canada that year.

"The financial statement of the hon. treasurer indicates that notwithstanding our limited appropriations we have been enabled by the economy exercised throughout the year to close the season with a small balance.

A Continuous Policy.

"The experience of this and previous years has demonstrated unmistakably that there must be continuity of our publicity policy; that our revenues in consequence must be on an assured basis; and that as the work expands it is imperative that efficient service must be procured to direct the general operation and policy of the association. Moreover it is patent that as the general effects of municipal publicity as of all other advertising is cumulative that we should either never have embarked on a campaign to attract people to Victoria, or, after having maintained that policy for a term of years we should decline to drop the same. To do so is to forfeit our investment. It is really unimportant who does the work or under what name it is prosecuted, but it is of prime importance that Victoria's fame be heralded next year as never before.

"The requisites of this seem to be, (a) an organization, of the public, of the council, or of the board of trade, or representatives of all three, which will manage the work and provide the funds therefor; (b) a capable and experienced publicity commissioner for the city who will give Victoria, in that capacity the same expert advice and service as she obtains and pays well for in her other departmental offices; (c) the institution, under the publicity commissioner of a press bureau which shall supply newspapers and magazines with articles on Victoria; (d) the incorporation of such a plan as a feature of municipal policy which while it could not be made binding on future councils would not be lightly disregarded by them, and would insure to a degree that continuity of action without which efficient work cannot be done."

The Financial Position.

The following statement of the financial position of the association, prepared by the honorary treasurer, Edwin C. Smith, was also submitted:

Gentlemen,—I beg to hereby submit, for your consideration, a statement of the receipts and expenditures of your association for the year 1908 to the 30th November, as follows:

Receipts.

1907 balance	$ 7.06
1907 subscriptions	175.00
City grant	4000.00
Rent	810.00
Advertisements	200.00
	$5192.06

Expenditure.

1907 accounts	$ 536.39
Printing and advertising	2239.53
Office expenses, including rent for whole premises, a portion of which is sublet	1249.39
Salaries	631.90
Postage, duty and brokerage	111.44
Miscellaneous	37.43
Sundries	8.25
	$4814.33
Balance on hand	377.73
	$5192.06

The financial condition from November 30th, 1908, to December 31st, will be as follows:

Income.

Cash on hand	$ 377.73
Three months' rent from subtenant at $90 per month	270.00
	$ 647.73

Expenses.

Three months' rent, whole premises, at $125 per month to 31st Dec., 1908	$ 375.00
Salaries of stenographer and janitor	45.00
Advertising	50.00
Telephone	5.00
Light	5.00
Unpaid bills and con'ges	25.00
	$ 505.00
Balance	142.73
	$ 647.73

The accounts due in connection with the reception and entertainment of the Arctic Brotherhood amount to $127.25, and will, if assumed by this association, lower the balance at December 31st, 1908, to $15.48.

A Return in Dollars and Cents.

Mr. McCurdy pointed out that the work of the association would have to cease at the end of the month for lack of funds unless the present council enabled the work to go on until next year's council had time to decide what it would do. The question was the simple one of whether or not the campaign of publicity should go on. That what has already been done to make Victoria and its great advantages better known is bringing in a return in hard cash, Mr. McCurdy proved by some interesting figures. The records of the city assesor's office showed that in 1904, a year after the association was instituted, the city's total assessment for land and improvements, was $17,881,980; in 1905 it was $18,136,154; in 1906, $18,570,135; 1907, $21,945,080, and in 1908, $24,640,135. From 1904 to 1906 the average yearly increase in the city's total assessment had been $334,155 or an increase of approximately two per cent. From 1906 until 1908 the average yearly increase has been $3,035,365, or an increase of sixteen per cent.

In addition to this, Mr. McCurdy said, the adjoining districts had also benefitted. There could be no doubt that this showing could be largely attributed to the publicity given Vancouver Island and Victoria in particular, in which work of publicity the Tourist Association had been the most active agent. Its members believed that if the work was continued still better results would follow. Everyone would be the gainer and the city should, therefore, aid the work generously.

Nothing Like Advertising.

Mr. Wilson declared himself a thorough believer in advertising, whether for a business or a city, and he still adhered to the views he had expressed to the city council a year ago as to the good to be derived from an aggressive and continued campaign of municipal publicity. Even the largest of the eastern cities were formulating similar campaigns for the advertising of their districts, aroused to that by seeing what great benefits other cities had secured by such judicious publicity. Mr. Wilson hoped that the council of 1909 would work with the association to inaugurate a broad and well-financed scheme and until that time, he said, it was imperative that the present council contribute enough to keep the campaign in progress.

Ratepayers Will Approve.

Col. Prior, chairman of the board of trade committee, said no one acquainted with all the facts could doubt the good that had been accomplished for Victoria by the work of the Tourist Association. Good water, sewerage, roads and street car service were needed by a city, but just as much did it need to be well advertised. Victoria was in the happy position that it possessed exceptional advantages which could be made the subject of advertising. Col. Prior mentioned some of the favorable comments he had heard elsewhere on the methods of the Tourist Association. As a property-owner and a business man he was satisfied that the city council should aid the association and he believed that citizens would supplement this by liberally subscribing. All other large cities spent large sums on advertising because they found that it paid handsomely.

Testimony From Without.

Mr. McCurdy read the following letter, received within the past couple of days by the honorary secretary, from Tom Richardson, manager of the Portland Commercial Club, in response to an invitation from the board of trade committee to come here and address a gathering of business men on municipal publicity:

"My dear Mr. Nelson—I can assure you that I appreciate your invitation to come to Victoria, and unless I have to go to fill an engagement in Winnipeg and Chicago will be glad to come so as to be with you all day and the evening of the 10th of December. Will write you definitely within forty-eight hours.

"I believe you have done a better work at Victoria than you give yourselves credit for. Mr. Cuthbert made your city and British Columbia, as well as himself, a part of the entire Pacific coast. Victoria is the seat of government, and especially since the building of your new hotel is one of the biggest cards we have in the tourist travel of the northwest—this will be particularly true during the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific exposition rates of next year.

"I was speaking to Mr. C. C. Chapman at length regarding your letter, and he urged me to go to Victoria by all means. There is little use in my extending this communication, except to say that our interests are in common and I will be serving my city and state when I serve you.

"TOM RICHARDSON,

"Manager Portland Commercial Club."

Mr. Carter pointed out to the members of council that the big fair in Seattle next year would afford the city the very best of opportunities to bring Victoria and its great attractions before the attention of the thousands of visitors who would come from every part of the continent. Now was the time when the work of advertising must be done, before the prospective visitors made up their itinerary. The Dominion government would have a good exhibit from this province and it would be a great pity if the capital of the province did not make an effort to induce the visitors to Seattle to come over here. This was the psychologic moment, in fact, and it would be a fatal mistake if the work of the association was allowed to lapse now.

Mayor Hall said the request of the association would be given full consideration and everything possible done by the council.

ELIMINATIONS

Your excretory organs must work like a clock or you are on dangerous grounds. Constipation is the open door to a host of ills—in fact most of the ailments that flesh is heir to. No man need fear nature, but the person who defies Nature may well quake. You cannot suffer with constipation long without permanently injuring your health.

Figits prove an immediate relief—have no unpleasantness to the taste—no griping. They do the work effectively and well.

POSTPONES VISIT.

Tom Richardson Cannot Come to Victoria at Present.

A message has been received from Tom Richardson, manager of the Portland Commercial Club, which indicates that he will not be able to visit Victoria for a little time at least. It had been hoped that it would be possible to have him address informally a gathering of those interested in the question of advertising the city. This will have to be postponed for a time, however, as a message received from Mr. Richardson to-day by the honorary secretary of the Tourist Association says that he has just left for Winnipeg.

Of the 361 sorts of birds found in Great Britain, only 140 are residents all the year round.

The Local Newspaper

Merchants Should Use Space for More Reasons Than One.

Wesley A. Stanger, editor of the Office Outfitter, Chicago, recently made an address before a body of retailers in which he called attention to the value of the local newspaper. He said in part:

"The local newspaper is the greatest thing the retailer has if he will use it right, but the majority, or at least a large proportion, do not know how. They are too prone to believe that the editor will take care of their interests whether they look after his or not. This is dead wrong. If merchants as a class would only take advantage of the opportunities that the newspapers afford thm, they would reap rewards far beyond their fondest dreams. While self-preservation is the first law of nature, it is a very notable fact that editors of local papers have a habit of letting self-interests go the very limit when it comes to a question of serving the community. For this they are entitled to recognition which they rarely receive.

"There are many editors in prosperour localities who have been laboring ceaselessly and earnestly in the interests of the community for the best interests of all combined, letting their own selfish interests take a back seat. They have boosted for merchants individually and boosted them all in boosting the community. No doubt the retailers have encouraged them as far as sentimental encouragement goes. They have undoubtedly said that they approved the editor's methods and called him 'good boy,' but in how many cases have they fallen short in the real encouragement that counts? How often have they neglected to use his columns, thinking that they were clever in it? In failing to patronize him they have too often killed the goose that laid the golden egg.

"Every retail merchant should make up his mind he will not permit the great advantage that the local paper offers go unused. You must get behind your local editor and push for all you are worth. He gives you two dollars back for every dollar you invest with him. He furnishes you at his own expense one of the biggest assets you possess—the medium through which to let the people know what you have to sell. Within recent years the mail order proposition has been somewhat bothersome. The editors of the country papers have done more than all other influences combined to win business back into normal channels and to convert the farmer to the logical belief in home trading. Has this been fully appreciated by the retailers? The editor prints your advertisements the way you want them, spreads them throughout the entire community and surrounding country, and brings business to your store. He refuses to accept business from the mail order store in the distant city, and even goes further by telling how superior the local store is to the distant one, and detailing the advantages of buying at home.

"What do you do?

"Do you let it be said in your community that you have let your editor's work go unrewarded. Use his paper. Make him prosperous and yourself rich by doing it. If you have foolish ideas about the non-productiveness of newspaper advertising, throw them off and try it out. One try will prove nothing. If it is successful so much the better; but the constant use of the paper in an intelligent manner will produce the results. If your advertisements do not pay it is because you do not provide the right kind of copy. In almost every case the newspaper man knows how to set your ad in an attractive manner, but he is not to blame if you furnish him poor copy.

"The best friend any business man in the world has, next to his wife, is the local newspaper, and if he doesn't get full value for his friendship it is his fault, not the editor's. The editor of the average so-called country paper has done more to upbuild his town and the retailers in it than all other influences combined, and it also follows that as an almost unbroken rule he is the least appreciated person in his community.

"Cut loose from this narrow, selfish way of doing things. Look to your interests by helping the local newspaper. It is a veritable gold mine; all you have to do is to reach for the nuggets. Remember that the editor has to eat and wear clothes the same as you do, and what he sells is just as necessary to life and prosperity as your merchandise. See that he is the best-cared-for man in town, for the local newspapers are the greatest bulwark of American liberty and American prosperity.

"The editor does not ask charity. He stands ready to repay you 100 per cent.; yes, 500 per cent. on every dollar you spend with him, if you spend it right. If you spend it wrong, don't blame him. Line up your local editor, then line up with your local banker. Retailers in combination with the bankers and newspaper men of the country will make an irresistible force that will bring about the grandest success in the world. There is no power like the power of the country press in America. Retailers seem to have been late in realizing this, but an intelligent use of the local newspaper assures success and prosperity. Get together with the man who runs the paper in your town. Treat it as it deserves. Give it half what it gives you, and together you will reach the goal you both seek. All honor to the local newspaper and the country editors."

FROM TOY TO AEROPLANE.

"One day in 1878 our father brought home a toy called a helicoptere, made of bamboo, cork and paper; two toy propellers were worked by elastic bands. When thrown into the air the toy would flutter a while and then fall. My brother and I started building a helicoptere of our own. That toy was the origin of our determination to solve the problem of flight. —Mr. Wilbur Wright in Figaro, Paris.

A Tonic Free from Alcohol

Talk with your doctor about Ayer's non-alcoholic Sarsaparilla. Ask him if he prescribes it for pale, delicate children. Ask him if he recommends it when the blood is thin and impure, and when the nerves are weak and unsteady. Ask him if it aids nature in building up the general health.

J. C. Ayer Co., Lowell, Mass.

Easy Gift Selecting

THE EASIEST PLACE to settle the gift selecting problem is right here, for nowhere else will you find such a delightful collection of USEFUL gifts—the sensible sort to send, the sort that pleace the recipient.

We are ready for you—ready with the grandest offerings we have ever shown. We want you to get acquainted with this shop's splendid offerings, for we know you'll save time, worry and money.

Here are a few suggestions in low-priced gifts—come in and see them.

$1.00 — BUYS ANY ONE OF THESE

Silver Butter Knives
Sterling Manicure Pieces
Sterling Vaseline Jars
Shaving Brushes
Silver Mounted Vases
Silver Toast Racks
Silver Pickle Forks
Silver Olive Spoons
Austrian Bisque Figures
China Cups and Saucers
Glass Flower Vases
China Flower Vases
Pretty Jardinieres
Grass Card Trays
Pretty Cushion Tops
Tray Cloths
Bed Spreads
Napkins—Per dozen

$2.50 — FOR THE CHOICE OF

Linen Tea Cloths
Axminster Rugs
Pretty Table Covers
Large Arm Chairs
High Back Rockers
Jardiniere Stands
Fire Sets in Brass
Silver Toast Racks
Silver Breakfast Cruets
Silver Pie Knives
Handsome Jardinieres
Silver Child's Mugs

The silverware department has many splendid offerings at this price and a visit will repay you for your trouble.

$5.00 — BUYS ANY ONE OF THESE

Mohair Rugs
Newest Lace Curtains
Axminster Rugs
Reed Reception Chairs
Oak Arm Chairs
Arm Rocking Chairs
Child's Reed Rockers
Parlor Tables
Silver Bon Bons
Silver Sugars and Creams
Silver Cake Dishes
Silver Berry Dishes
Libbey Cut Glass
Colognes, Bon Bons
Vases and Oil Bottles
Dining Chairs
Oak Biscuit Jars
Linen Table Cloths

Card Prizes in China that Combine Beauty and Utility

¶ The thousands of pieces of china—"odd bits" we call them, to distinguish between china sold in sets and sold by single item—which form a conspicuous part of our stock, require no mental gymnastics to be considered appropriate prizes for the ladies at euchre or whist.

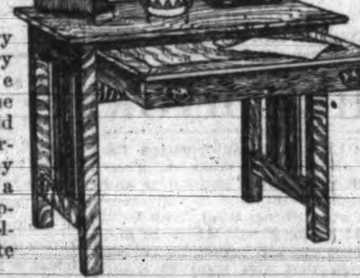
¶ They combine a beauty which is dearly loved by every woman with a usefulness that it is her joy to exploit on every occasion.

¶ Your list of prizes should be exclusively china bits if you would excite spirited competition in the contest.

¶ Try it.

Some Dainty Library Tables, Suitable Xmas Gift Pieces

Late Arrivals Now on Show



Why not a Library Table? It is a very useful furniture piece, and one of the late arrivals would add tone to the furnishings of any home. Here is a price range that represents excellent values — investigate them.

LIBRARY TABLE—A splendid library table, this, and low-priced, too. Made in oak, Mission style, and finished in the popular Early English style of finish. Top is 29 in. x 46 in. Two drawers. Excellent value at this price $20.00

LIBRARY TABLE—A quarter-cut oak style, finished in golden, top is 32 in. x 48 in. Table has two large drawers. Legs are round. This is a very attractive table style and good value at, each, only $25.00

LIBRARY TABLE—A Mission style, finished in Early English style of finish. Made of finest quality oak in finest possible manner. Top is 48 in. x 30 in. There are two drawers. Price, each $30.00

LIBRARY TABLE—Another style in Golden Oak that is worthy of special mention. This style has large drawer, shelves at both ends for books and magazines, etc. Top is 29 in. x 50 in., and is handsomely polished. A rich looking table and one you'll like. Price, each $35.00

LIBRARY TABLE—Another Mission style in the Early English finish. This style has one large drawer and has shelves at both ends for books, magazines, etc. Top is 29 in. x 50 in. Priced fairly at, each $35.00

LIBRARY TABLE—A genuinely fine style in Mission. This table has two drawers, two small and two large cabinets for stationery, etc. There is also a large shelf. Top is 29 in. x 50 in. Price, each $40.00

Choose the Gift Now and Let Us Deliver It Later

Why not choose the gift now and have it put aside for later delivery. We shall be pleased to store gifts selected now and deliver them at any time you may designate.

Many have found this to be the most satisfactory way, and we believe that you, too, will find it the best plan. Choice is better now—shopping easier.

Here is a Xmas Gift to Delight the Homekeeper

Doesn't a China Cabinet strike you as a suitable gift to send to some homekeeper this Christmas? She'll receive some dainty China pieces, and a suitable receptacle for these China Gifts would be greatly appreciated.

Prices shouldn't interfere with such a demonstration of friendship because we have some excellent designs at very small prices. You are welcome to come in and see the stock.

CHINA CABINET, corner style, made in golden oak, bent glass door, 4 shelves, 2 mirrors, neat design. Price only $30.00

CHINA CABINET, Early English finished oak, has 4 shelves and small top shelf; two mirrors, bent glass ends. Good value at $30.00

CHINA CABINET, another style in golden oak. Has five shelves, mirror, bent glass ends. A splendid cabinet. Priced right, each $35.00

CHINA CABINET—Here is a splendid value in a medium priced cabinet, four shelves and mirror. Price is only $27.50

CHINA CABINET—For the money you cannot beat this style. Golden oak, four shelves, bent glass door. Price is, each $25.00

CHINA CABINET—A golden oak cabinet of fine design. Has four shelves, two mirrors, bent glass ends. Finely finished. Price, each $40.00

TRY THE "SHOPPING BY MAIL" METHOD OF THIS SHOP

Do not lose the advantages of shopping by mail with this store. Shopping by mail here means getting just what you want, getting a bigger choice, saving money. We have a well equipped Mail Order Department and can guarantee you perfect satisfaction. Just try this system of shopping and see how really satisfactory it is.

Famous "McLintock" Down Quilts | Many Blanket Values of Merit Here

Furnishers —of— Homes Hotels Clubs Complete and Good

Weiler Bros

THE "FIRST" FURNITURE STORE OF THE "LAST" WEST
GOVERNMENT STREET, VICTORIA, B. C.

Makers —of— Furniture and Office Fittings That Are Better

Bygone Days of British Columbia

The Story of the Indian Reserve

BY R. E. GOSNELL (Copyrighted)

(Continued from Saturday, Nov. 28.)

Under the terms of Confederation the charge of the Indians, their trusteeship and the management of the lands, were assumed by the Dominion, and the latter was to pursue as liberal a policy as had been pursued by the colonial government prior to union.

For the purpose in question the provincial government bound itself to convey suitable lands for the use and benefit of the Indians upon application of the Dominion government; and in case of disagreement as to the quantity of land reference was to be made to the secretary of state for the colonies.

The above was the basis upon which the land for reserves was handed over to the province; but the conditions were materially modified by the understanding arrived at in 1875 or 1876, whereby "each reserve shall be held in trust for the use and benefit of the nation to which it has been allotted; and in the event of any material increase or decrease hereafter of the numbers of a nation occupying a reserve, such reserve shall be enlarged or diminished, as the case may be, so that it shall bear a fair proportion to the members of the nation occupying it. The extra land required for any reserve shall be allotted from crown lands, and any land taken off a reserve shall revert to the province."

HON. JOS. HOWE

Secretary of State for the Provinces, 1871.

The terms of the convention in question are not part of the treaty of union, but are confirmed by order in council by both governments, and are part of the terms of the understanding by which it was possible for them to arrive at a settlement of

A Very Vexed Question.

The language of the sections quoted together from the basis of Mr. Bodwell's argument in the case again before the supreme court of British Columbia the other day. As pointed out by the chief justice, the issue raised is purely academical as it has not arisen out of any "concrete" case; but whether now or later on this language must determine our rights in the lands now occupied by the Indians.

It took a long time for the two governments to agree upon a method of dealing with the Indians. The clause in the terms of union governing was vague and indefinite. A policy as "liberal" as had been pursued by the colony of British Columbia before union was in itself very difficult to determine, and the areas of land to be handed over by the province on application of the Dominion were equally as uncertain.

When the case of the Indians was transferred to Canada the government at Ottawa began making inquiries in order to obtain a statistical basis for a policy of administration.

Hon. James Howe

was then secretary of state for the provinces, a portfolio not afterwards continued, and Dr. I. W. Powell appointed as superintendent of Indian affairs for the province. It was not until the 6th of January, 1876, that final agreement was reached. The correspondence published and unpublished is voluminous and reveals a lot of "haggling." Naturally, the government at Ottawa looked at the question from a different point of view from that taken by the local government. There were several good reasons for this:

First, at that period, or 35 years ago, the information of the federal government with regard to British Columbia, was of the most limited character.

Second, judgment of the latter was formed from experience with the Indians of Eastern Canada, and the difference between those and the Indians of British Columbia was as wide as the poles.

Third, there was a variety of representations from the province itself as to the conditions and requirements of the Pacific Coast tribes

On the part of the Dominion government the opinion was expressed that the colonial government had not done anything in particular for the Indians and, therefore, had evolved no "policy" which might be adopted as a standard by the Dominion. This view was exhaustively and somewhat vigorously combatted by the local government in a memorandum prepared by their attorney-general, Hon. G. A. Walkem, and approved on the 19th of August, 1875, and in a memorandum prepared by Hon. (afterwards Sir) J. W. Trutch, chief commissioner of lands and works, and submitted to the Earl of Granville through Governor Musgrave in reply to a letter on the condition of the

Indians of Victoria

by Wm. Sebright Green, secretary of the Aborigines Protection Society. This society, the missionaries and some of the clergymen of the day were the chief critics of the local government, and their criticisms, of course, had their due weight with the "higher" authorities. The missionaries of all denominations, although many of them undoubtedly did excellent work among the Indians, in many ways, some of them were rather meddlesome, and the correspondence and reports show that the officials of both governments regarded them as a source of constant trouble as far as the relations of the Indians with the government were concerned.

It is quite impossible to go into the details of the report made by Attorney-General Walkem. It was an able and exhaustive defence of the local government's policy—it reviewed the policy pursued by the government of Sir James Douglas as the basis of what had been continued, that as fast as possible, consistent with the financial resources of the colony, reserves had been laid out, large expenditures of money had been made for various purposes, caused by

"Indian Outrages,"

in settling boundary and other disputes and whites, in suppressing the liquor ad whites, in suppressing the liquor traffic, in fighting and preventing smallpox, in giving aid to sick and destitute, in paying rewards to deserving natives, in makng "gifts," and in various other ways. On the other hand, the Indians were exempt from paying tolls, direct taxation and customs dues. Their rights were strictly guarded by law and the guardians of the law, and they were placed on an equality without discrimination with the whites, save in their own interests. And so on and so on. The fact that 30,000 or 40,000 Indians had for years been handled without serious trouble, and that the Coast Indians in particular, by a policy of encouragement in self-reliance and habits of industry, had been able to earn wages and provide amply for themselves was proof that they had not been neglected or had suffered in comparison with Indians in other parts of Canada.

Sir Joseph Trutch in his communication to the Earl of Granville in 1870, referred to, said: "The strongest motives of duty and interest combined to press upon the government, as upon each honest individual member of our community, the urgency of our striving by every means in our power, to advance the material and moral condition of our Indian population. By such influence may we hope so to change their habit of mind, that in a following generation they may become susceptible of appreciating the truths of revealed religion; although, and I state it most regretfully, in my twenty years' experience among aborigines of this coast, I have not yet met with a single Indian of pure blood whom I consider to have attained to even the most glimmering perception of

The Christian Creed.

In fact, the idiosyncrasy of the Indians of this country appears to incapacitate them from appreciating any abstract ideal, nor do their languages contain words by which such a conception could be expressed.

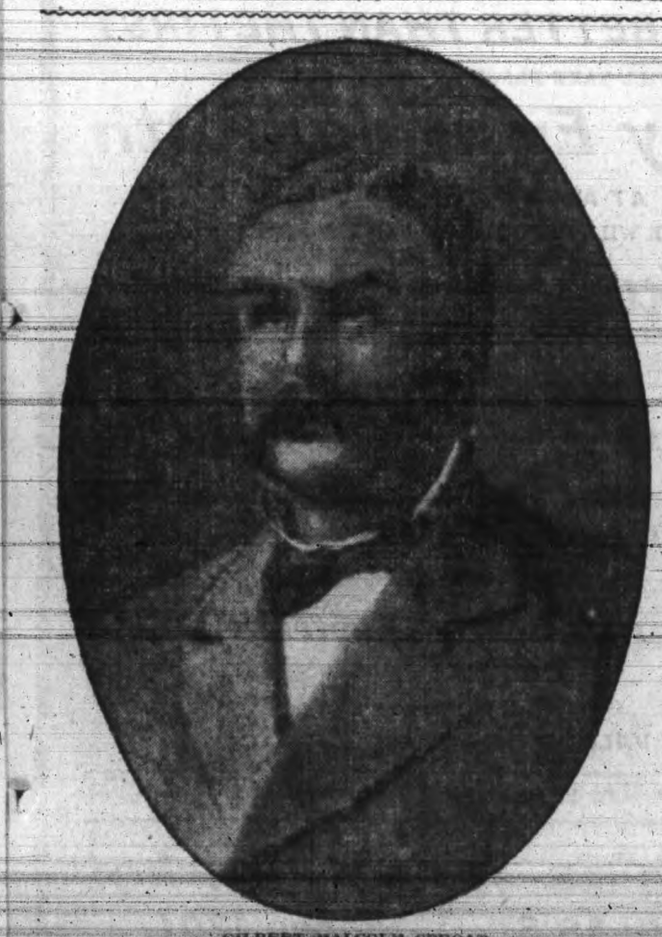
"But I contend that the policy which has prevailed in British Columbia since its settlement by Europeans, has been essentially benevolent towards the Indians; that the degree of civilization which we have introduced into their country has in fact conferred infinite benefits upon them, although bringing with it all the evils incidental to its vices; and that this system needs not change or reform, but only increased means to bring out its real merits and capabilities."

Dr. Powell on taking office as Indian superintendent, set about getting information for his government, and prepared a report fully covering the whole situation. Among other things it contained a census of the Indian population by tribes. Unfortunately, I have been unable to lay my hands upon a complete copy of this, although extracts are contained in the annual report of 1874. In this report the Indian population is placed at 28,520. Presumably a more complete census in 1878 places the population at over 35,000, and at this figure it remained for some years practically without change until about 1891, when a revision showed about 25,000 or 26,000.

At the time the discussion became acute between the two governments, the provincial wanted to give

Ten Acres to Each Family

of five on an estimated population of 40,000. The Dominion made a request for 80 acres, or the difference between 80,000 acres and 640,000 acres. At the time of Confederation the area of Indian reserves already allotted and surveyed was about 20,000, or anything between five and ten acres per family of five. A compromise was finally reached on the basis of 240,000 acres in all. In the end, however, as the result of much discussion and sundry reports the entire basis was changed, and early in 1876 the adjustment was referred to three commissioners, one appointed by the Dominion, one by the province, and one jointly. These were to visit each Indian nation (that is, those speaking the same language) and determine on the spot their special requirements as to land, etc., etc. No basis of acreage was to be fixed, and each nation being dealt with separately, the commissioners to be guided by all the circumstances with a view to a liberal policy being adopted; the expenses of the commissioners were to be borne jointly and more or less equally. The other terms of the convention have already been alluded to in the beginning of this article, as to the land being held in trust and its ultimate reversion to the province. When the surrender of the Songhees reserve was proposed and the removal of the Indians elsewhere first contemplated, I have it on good authority that

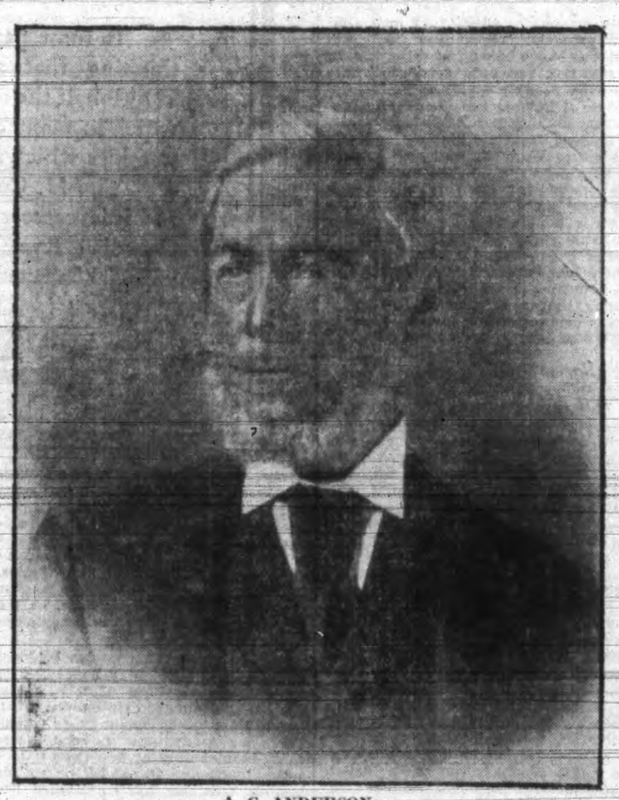


GILBERT MALCOLM SPROAT

Indian Lands Commissioner.

ARCHIBALD McKINLEY

Member of the Indian Reserve Commission.



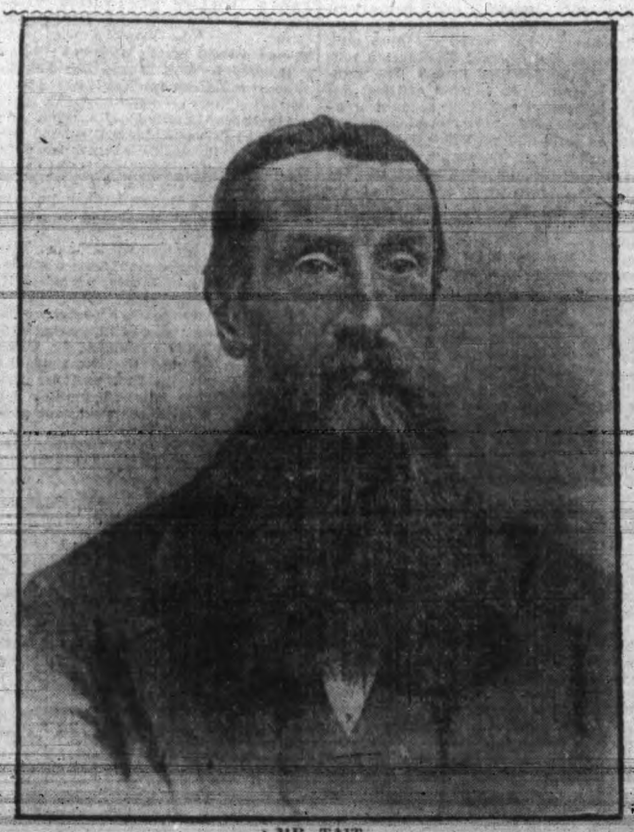
A. C. ANDERSON

Member of the first Indian Reserve Commission.

Sir John Macdonald,

then head of Indian affairs, had not heard of this arrangement and was surprised that it should have been made.

The Indian land commissioners appointed under this agreement, which, by the way, had been largely brought about on the suggestion of Wm. Duncan, missionary at Metlakahtla, were: Messrs. A. C. Anderson, Gilbert Malcolm Sproat and Wm. McKinley. This board did not carry on throughout the entire programme, as the expense incident to three salaried men travelling over the province was considered too great by both governments, and a recommendation that one land commissioner should act instead of three, was adopted, Hon. Peter O'Reilly being appointed and acting in that capacity until his resignation in recent years. After a long term of service, Dr Powell resigned as Indian superintendent, and was succeeded by the present incumbent of that office, Mr. A. W. Vowell, familiarly known among his friends as "Judge" Vowell.



MR. TAIT

An early Indian official, New Westminster.

In the early stage of the game there had been a previous board of Indian commissioners. Mr. Lenihan, to whom I referred in last letter, was sent out from Ottawa by the Liberal government to act with the lieutenant-governor and the Indian superintendent, presumably as an advisory board, but it was not considered a practicable arrangement, and it really never went into effect. Mr. Lenihan was then appointed, and acted for several years, as superintendent in New Westminster.

The preliminary discussion of the question, while it did not actually develop "strained relations" between the two governments, was carried on with a good deal of evident "spirit" on both sides. Added to the natural irritation existing between two governments

Not Very Much in Harmony

on the subjevt, there were the difficulties arising out of settlers seeking lands over which the local government had exclusive jurisdiction, claimed or wanted by Indians, and the interference of the ever-ready self-constituted advisers of the natives. At one time, as is apparent from official documents, there was a serious danger of Indian trouble. Contributed to by various causes, it arose from the uncertainty and delay in settling the land question, which to the Indian was paramount. He saw two representatives of one crown, a local king and a federal king, sparring with each other, and each claiming to him that the fault was the other's.

As soon, however, as the contending parties settled upon a policy and got to the real work of allotting lands, relations assumed a much more friendly aspect, and the effect upon the Indians themselves was soon apparent in the spirit of contentment shown in the Indian superintendent's report. No regard was made to the "acreage basis" of reserves, and, curiously enough, the Indian reserves of the province now represent an area of considerably

Over Half a Million

acres, or very nearly what the Dominion asked for in the first instance. Many say that the province was too liberal. The land (needless to say) represents the best and most valuable in each district, or rather a number of reserves in a district, is in charge of a local agent, who is guide, philosopher and friend to the different tribes. Living among them, knowing each tribe, if not each individual, the repository of their grievances and their confidences, he has naturally great influence with them. He must be their friend and not the "other fellow's," to retain his influence, and consequently he must exercise the greatest amount of tact to lead them in the right path when they are inclined to go the other way. The system, though slow of evolution, has proved to be a good one. Practically speaking, there is now no Indian problem in this province.

The question which has recently been raised is not one of Indian administration but of reversionary rights in the land as it becomes removed from Indian use and occupation. It is a most interesting and important issue, but as it is now more or less before the courts, and as its discussin might be said to involve "politics," the consideration of the issues must be left to the courts.

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TO CONTRIBUTORS.

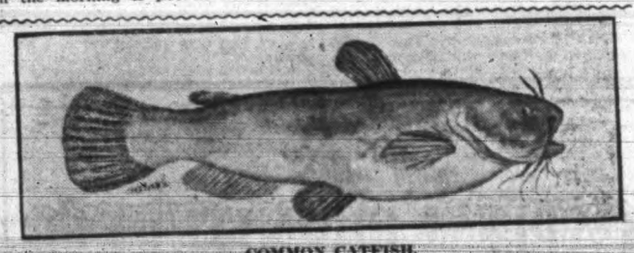
Contributors to the club columns are asked to remember that Thursday is the latest day on which communications can be received for publication the same week. Anyone who has something interesting to tell, but who does not have the time or inclination to write the contribution will confer a favor by telephoning the editor of the club and arranging an interview.

"The animal story as we now have it is a potent emancipator. It frees us for a little while from the world of shop-worn utilities, and from the mean tenement of self of which we do well to grow weary. It helps us to return to nature without requiring that we at the same time return to barbarism. It leads us back to the old kinship of earth, without asking us to relinquish by way of toll any part of the wisdom of the ages, any fine essential of the large result of time. The clear and candid life to which it reinitiates us, far behind though it lies in the long upward march of being, holds for us this quality. It has ever the more significance, it has ever the richer gift of refreshment and renewal, the more humane the heart and spiritual the understanding which we bring to the intimacy of it."—Charles G. D. Roberts in "The Kindred of the Wild."

The animals of the New Brunswick woods have been made known from one end of America to the other through the stories Mr. Roberts has written of them. Many British Columbians know the animals of that region better even than those of their own province, simply because of the compelling interest of the tales illustrating the habits of the moose, panther, lynx, deer, porcupine, and many other animals as well as birds. Mr. Thompson Seton has written of the life of the prairies and of the big horn of upper British Columbia. Hitherto, however, no one has arisen to depict in story from the lives of the animals of Vancouver Island. This doubtless will be done, but when we cannot say. There is plenty of scope for the naturalist historian here.

Catfish.

Very many people have heard about the catfish, yet have never seen one. They are odd creatures with barbels on the head somewhat resembling the whiskers of a cat, hence the name. They are without scales and are very tenacious of life. It is said that they can be kept out of water all night and in the morning if put in water will swim about as if nothing had happened.



COMMON CATFISH.

The common catfish found in the lakes and rivers on this end of Vancouver Island do not grow very large, the limit being somewhereabout eighteen inches, and the average lower than that. They are not native to this part of the country, but were imported years ago and have proved to be a great nuisance to anglers, as they take any kind of bait. It is also said that they eat the eggs of the trout and other fish as well as the young fry. For this reason they are much disliked and anathemas are called down on the head of the person who imported them by anglers whom they annoy. They may be caught in Elk lake, Shawnigan, Somenos, and it is said there are some in Cowichan lake, although not many as yet. At Shawnigan they may easily be caught without a hook by simply tying a piece of meat on the end of a string and lowering it to the bottom, then pulling it in quickly when a bite is felt. They lie in the mud at the bottom of the lakes and sluggish streams, but when hungry may be found anywhere.

Early in June, when about to spawn, the catfishes select a spot in quiet shallow water near aquatic weeds, and there they make a nest from eight inches to a foot in diameter, by clearing out a depression in the mud or sand. In this nest about two thousand eggs are deposited, over which the parents keep guard, the male being most assiduous in the work of protection. In about a week the eggs are hatched, and the young, which look very much like little black tadpoles, follow the parent fish along the shores until nearly the middle of July, when they disappear into deep, weedy water. They grow rapidly, and, under favorable circumstances, are said to attain maturity in three years.

Some people eat the cats, and their flesh is said to be very rich and delicious, but the majority of people in this part of the world prefer trout and throw the catfish back into the water when they catch one.

Queen Charlotte Caribou.

The discovery of the caribou on Graham Island, the most northerly of the Queen Charlotte group, has aroused a good deal of interest. The fact that three were killed is to be regretted, but now that the government has declared it illegal to shoot them, doubtless they will be considered sacred. It is to be hoped that residents of that part of the country will see that the law is enforced.

A day or two ago Mr. Leary of Skidegate, who is at present in the city, said that several people had seen the caribou and they had reported quite a large herd in the peninsula in the northwest end of the island. That part of the island seems particularly suited to the animals, but they cannot have prospered well, else there would have been many more there than there are at present. In a country where there are no wolves to bother them it seems a great wonder that they have not increased enough to cover the whole island.

Speculation is rife as to how long the animals have been on Graham Island. mainland for caribou to swim across, and there does not seem to be any other way for them to cross unless the intervening space was at one time frozen over. It is a generally accepted theory that the islands on this coast were at one time part of the mainland, but that must have been so very long ago, and it seems curious that these few animals should have lived all this time and yet occupy a space covering only a few square miles. When the skins and heads have been brought down and examined it will be easier to tell whether they have been long separated from those on the mainland, as if they have they will probably differ in certain characteristics as well as in color.

Coon Hunting.

A coon hunt in the city is not by any means a common event. It is true though that a coon was killed in Victoria West during the summer after he had taken toll of a number of chickens.

Leonard Campbell, the teacher of manual woodworking at the Central school, started in the chicken business last spring. He purchased about a dozen hens and set one of them and she hatched about nine or ten chicks. One morning four of the chicks were missing but there was no trace of the thief. The next night all the rest of the chicks were taken but two, and the old hen refused to go into the hen house to sleep. Then Mr. Campbell made up his mind that it was a coon that had been the thief. He watched and found that the furry fellow had been in the habit of sleeping on a shed right alongside his garden. The next night Mr. Coon came again and this time was his last, for he was buried in a grave in the garden beneath the cabbage patch—a warning to all chicken thieves.

Bruin, the Bear.

The following little story was written by a boy a few months over eight years of age. He was shown the picture of a bear, and asked to tell the story, being given no information except that it lived near Edmonton:

There once lived in Edmonton a bear whose name was Bruin. He would feed out of your hand. He was owned by a farmer. He lived in a kennel in a field. One day when a boy was teasing Bruin he got savage and carried the boy into his den. The boy shouted for help, and the farmer heard him shouting and ran to the rescue. There being no weapon near except an axe the farmer tried to hit Bruin with it, but each time he did so Bruin knocked it away. At last the farmer managed to get a gun, and shot the bear.

N. P.

Young Solemnity.

Last summer a pair of tawny owls built their nest somewhere in Cornwall, and when the white fluffy chick in the nest became a suitable size someone took it away, a friend of mine staying there for his holiday saw and admired the little monster, and that is how Young Solemnity came to live in a London suburban back garden.

I went to see him the other day, taking a little girl of ten with me. They made friends at once. Young Solemnity sitting on her hand and making all the time a pretty noise like half the mew of a kitten. He had until lately a kitten playfellow. He used to take the little animal's tail in his beak and give it little biting kisses from one end to the other, and though the kitten would sometimes upset his dignity by pouncing on him, neither playmate ever hurt the other. Now there is a puppy in the house, and Young Solemnity loves to sit on his back and comb his hair with his beak.

When we had the owl sitting on our hands we were able to mark the wonders of his face and body. There is nothing so dark or deep or full of mystery as those eyes, and they are rimmed with something just like dark red morocco leather ever so deftly sewn on at the ends of the feathers. Then when you tickle his chin Young Solemnity opens a mouth that goes far and wide down to his chest. The whole face lifts off when he opens his mouth, very much as happens when a hippopotamus yawns. Another funny thing about the owl is that it can turn its head right round till it looks over its own back. Its head follows you as you walk round the bird, and when you have passed quite behind it moves so quickly to keep you still under observation that it looks as though the head went round and round on a pivot.

I wonder whether any of you have seen a goat-sucker nightjar, or puckeridge. That bird is also called a fern owl, and most people imagine it to be a misleading nickname like "grasslion" for donkey. We think of owls as hawks that fly by night, but they are really far more nearly related to goatsuckers, as you would see at once if you saw one open its mouth.

Young Solemnity lives in the dark corner of a wired-in place like a chicken run that his master has built for him in the garden. When he was quite young he lived in the house, and his favorite perch was on the top of the coal in the coal-cupboard. Once he got under the kitchen grate and burnt nearly all his feathers off, but they grew again, and made him quite beautiful. The door of his chicken run is very seldom closed, and when night comes on Young Solemnity comes out for a ramble. He is beginning to fly, and sometimes rambles a long way, so that one night his master quite thought he was lost. But in the morning he was found dozing on his perch as usual. Usually, when he has been out for an hour or so, he goes up to the back door and begs to be let into the house, so that he can sit all night on his coal throne in the coal-cupboard. His language on this occasion is a "prrt prrt," like the purring of a cat, only higher in the octave. He is ever so fond of his mistress, and when she goes into the garden and calls Aylie (a name he got from a country servant who says "ay!" for "owl)," he comes hopping with ever such high hops, till she puts down her hand and lets him perch there.

One night lately Aylie began to sing. He gave just three of those long "whoo-oos" with about a minute's interval between. In the morning the servant asked if Aylie's mistress had heard, and wound up by asking, "Was he ill, mum?" You wouldn't like anyone to ask that when you had sung, would you?—G. G. D. in the London News.

On the Review Table

"Nancy McVeigh, of the Monk Road," by R. Henry Mainer, is a collection of short stories, each separate in itself, yet having a running connection. The setting throughout is the same, being an old tumble down tavern kept by one Nancy McVeigh, on the military road cut through the virgin pine from Lake Ontario to the waters leading into the Georgian Bay.

Nancy McVeigh was tall, angular, raw-boned and muscled like a man. Her face, deeply lined, patient and crowned with a mass of silvery grey hair. It was her eyes, however, that betrayed the soul within, their harshness mocking the goodness which was known of her, and their softness at times giving the lie to the roughness which in a life such as hers might be expected.

The stories show this woman under many different aspects, and will be read with much interest and pleasure by all to whom the passing of pioneer life appeals.

(Wm. Briggs, Toronto.)

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Guide to promotion for officers, by Captain Legge, is a book, concise and up-to-date in every respect, and of great interest to all military men. Officers preparing for subject "A" will find it of much benefit, as all necessary information has been condensed into the least possible space.

(Gale & Polden, Ltd., London.)

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"Lessons from 100 Notes Made in Peace and War," by Major-General E. A. H. Alderson, C. B. The author, who has seen much active service, has been for some years in the habit of jotting down in a note book, or on any other available scrap of paper, notes of things he saw, and heard, and read, that might be useful in the future. In the book just issued he passes them on, hoping that a random shaft may in some instance strike home.

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The Christmas number of the Canadian Magazine stands as evidence that in literary quality and artistic ability Canadian writers and illustrators can hold their own with the average of production anywhere. It is easily the best representative Canadian magazine yet published, and is a splendid indication of the advances that have been made in a literary and artistic way in the Dominion. There is a long table of contents, and some of the best known contributors are: Theodore Roberts, Robert E. Knowles, Frederick George Scott, Isabel Ecclestone, Mackay, Virna Sheard, Jean Blewett, Geo. Herbert Clarke, Albert R. Carman, James P. Haverson, L. M. Montgomery, S. T. Wood, Augustus Bridle, Jean Graham, Archie P. McKishnie and S. A. White, with a hitherto unpublished poem by William Henry Drummond. There are several illustrations in color from reproductions of clever drawings by J. W. Beatty. The other artists whose illustrations appear in this number are Fergus Kyle, T. G. Greene, George Butler and A. C. G. Lapine.

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Everyone who has thought of the danger of facing poverty in his old age will be interested in Burton J. Hendrick's article on "The Superannuated Man" in the Christmas number of McClure's Magazine. Mr. Hendrick tells of the growth of the pension system among corporations and the work of the Carnegie foundation on behalf of retired college professors. Dr. Henry Smith Williams contributes a paper dealing with alcohol as a chief cause of crime, insanity and pauperism; Samuel Hopkins Adams shows how Copenhagen has solved the pure milk problem, and General Kuropatkin tells why Japan defeated Russia. The number contains two Lincoln articles: one the hitherto unpublished account of an eye-witness of the assassination of Mr. Lincoln and the other the story of "Our American Cousins," the play he went to see on the night of the tragedy. An attractive feature of the number is a paper by John La Farge in his series on "One Hundred Masterpieces of Painting," which is handsomely illustrated in colors. There is an unusually interesting list of short stories: "The Mistletoe Bough," by Lucy Pratt; "On the Gulls' Road," by Willa Sibert Cather; "Simon the Gentle," by E. F. Sterns; "The Closing of the Ranks," by Margaret Wilson; "Beast," by Adeline Knapp, and "The Countess of Overland Halt," by L. H. Bickford.

HOW TO CONTROL SMOKING.

The obvious reply to the man who wishes to reduce his smoking, writes Dr. Saleeby in his recently published work on "Health, Strength and Happiness," is that he should use his "will power." The "will," however, can be helped by external circumstances, and in these, in a great measure, the secret of success is to be found.

A certain physician, for instance, has hit upon the idea of ordering the over-smoker to use only a long clay pipe. There is no virtue in this pipe, explains our authority, except that it can only be smoked at home, and so the amount of smoking is reduced. Then one may make a rule about smoking only after meals, just as the rule may be made not to drink between meals. You may make a point of not carrying tobacco upon your person; you may make yourself a weekly allowance of tobacco not to be exceeded. Dr. Saleeby also suggests the sucking of strong peppermint as useful in reducing the desire to smoke. This, he contends, seems thoroughly reasonable both as regards the action of the volatile oil upon the nervous system, and as regards the vicarious satisfaction of the nerves of taste and smell. Another medicament recommended as efficacious is nux vomica, the bitter taste of the tincture serving probably to satisfy the palate, or the strychnine in it performing some remoter service.

Sir Lauder Brunton quotes evidence to show that there may be danger in substituting one kind of tobacco for another—the danger of a sudden faint, which in some bases may be final. There are many other poisons in tobacco besides nicotine, but their nature and proportions vary, and it may quite well be that one has established immunity to one kind of tobacco and not to another.

Many other questions of practical interest will be found discussed at length in this eminently suggestive book, especially written "for the young man, the man of middle age; and the elderly—not least, for the prematurely elderly."

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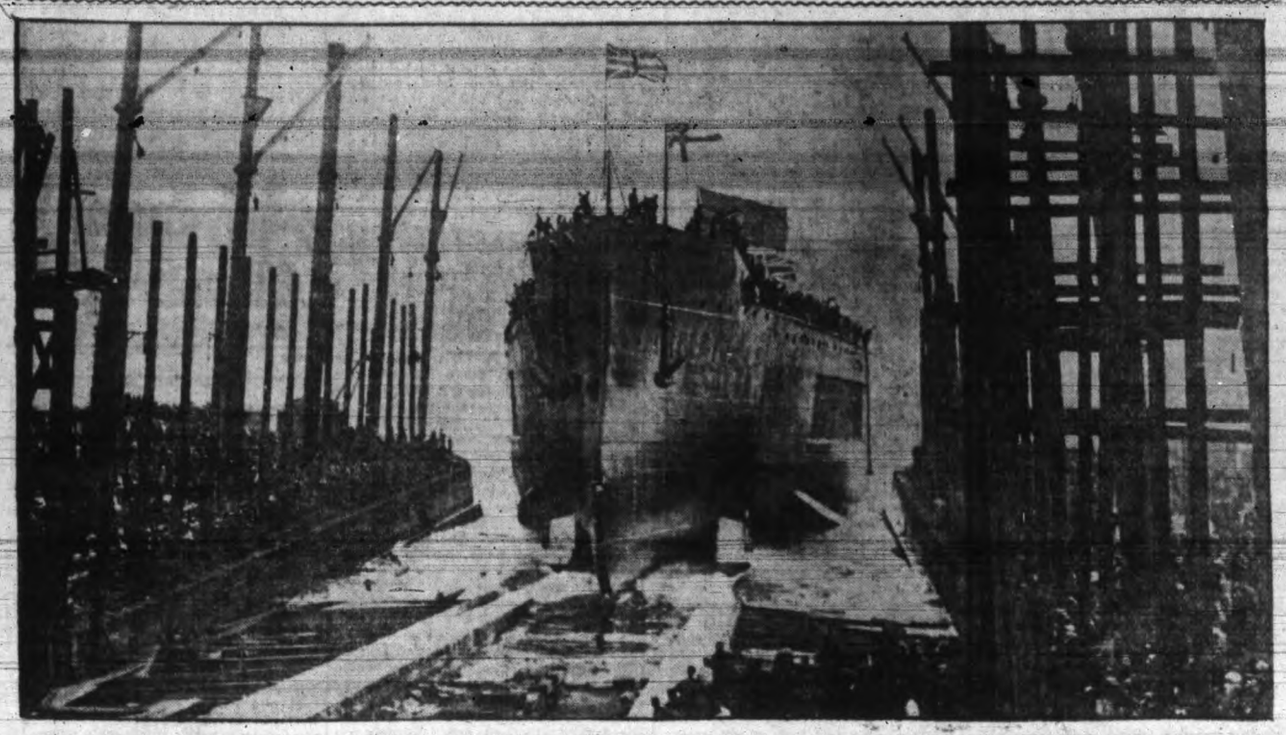


H. M. S. COLLINGWOOD, LATEST ADDITION TO BRITAIN'S NAVY

The launching took place at Devonport in the presence of 20,000 spectators, the christening being performed by Mrs. Asquith, wife of the British Prime Minister. The vessel took the water in fine style amid salvos of artillery from the warships in the harbor, music from military bands and cheers of the crowd. Colonial wine was used at the christening. The Collingwood, which was laid down in February last, is the sixth battleship of the Dreadnought type now afloat, but is larger and better protected than the Dreadnought, and when completed will be the most powerful warship afloat.

Herbert Russell writes of the launch of the battleship as follows:

The birth of a battleship is a spectacle wrought with a wonderful wealth of appeal to what Tennyson calls the finer fancy. It is a clear-cut incident in our modern naval story—a cameo from the great mosaic of Britain's proudest heritage — the history of her supremacy of the sea.

Think of what it means — to-day more than at any period since Trafalgar, when diplomacy is literally being parabled in Dreadnought programmes.

How many of the thirty thousand spectators who, the other afternoon, on land and on water, set up their throats in wild "Hurrahs!" as the Collingwood, that great, silent structure of steel, suddenly became vitalized amid muffled thunder, and was born and baptized to her virgin kiss of salt water — how many of them, I say, saw in her the material shape of their racial pride, honor, security—ay, maybe future salvation?

Or were they merely cheering the launch of a great ship as they would have cheered the launch of any other great ship which had furnished them with an equally fine show? In the distinction lies all the significance of the ceremony whose occasion was the birth of a battleship.

Teeming Panorama.

I find this the uppermost idea in a pleasing confusion of impressions left by that teeming panorama of life, movement and color. Memory of the scene is a kaleidscope jumble of broad effects and the grouping of detail, amid which many points stand out sharpened into keen prominence.

The whole setting was one to detain the eye, even in the sombre dimming of the November afternoon. The background of autumn verdure across the Hamoaze was mellow of tint. Upon the tide-dance of the stream the lavender-colored warships dashed the scene with flickering rainbows of bunting.

Scurrying picket-boats, with winking brass funnels, kept up an irritating whirr as they circled around, furrowing in foam the limits of the launch area. Beyond, it seemed as though everything in Plymouth that would float had brought its freight of sight-seers.

But, of course, the interest of the day's event centred ashore. A wide tract of the grim, grey, streaming free, festooned in drapery, or wreathed into garlands. Within this space a perfect sea of humanity gazed upon the rearing warship. The dais from which her emancipation was effected twinkled with naval and military uniforms amid the dull hues of civilian conventionality.

Time-Honored Ceremony.

The time-honored ceremony of "breaking the bottle" was probably a disappointment to those who witnesed it for the first time. It is invariably such a rapid action that the only evidence one has of the significance of the gesture which sends the bottle spinning is the splintering of glass and the trickling of rills down the arched bow of the ship. The attendant band always accompanies this christening act by softly playing: "Here's a health to all good lasses."

But the actual launch of such a battleship as this Collingwood, of 19,250 tons, forms, indeed, a stirring recollection to carry among the impressive memories of life. After the release of the highly-tensioned guy-ropes, came a breathless pause while the leviathan seemed to shrink from the cold plunge.

But for an instant only. Slowly, very slowly, the overshadowing structure began to recede. The sense of excitement at that moment was one to quicken the pulse, and the hurrahing throats of the multitude speedily gave voice to this emotion. With a muffled rumble as of distant thunder, deepening apace into a roar that trembled upon the ear as she gathered impetus, the giantess went sliding forth from the cradle of her creation.

A sobbing tumult of cascading waters seemed to swallow the final hurricane note of her passage down the ways. Amid a seething caldron of yeast, flowing outwards in long, billowy circles towards the centre of the stream, the superb warship raised herself buoyantly from the bed that for ten months past had borne her rapidly-growing burden of tons.

Flags' Response.

The flags from her jackstaffs rippled proudly, as though flourishing a response to the cheering crowds around. Minus funnels, masts, and guns, and sitting the water so flying-light that the bends of her bilges were scarcely immersed, she still looked a shape of noble symmetry as she went leisurely gliding out upon the caressing breast of that element whereon lies her future mission.

With the sullen booming of guns, the screech of sirens, and the clanging of bells, the warships afloat clamored their greetings to the newcomer, as she swung slowly, like a sentient creature bewildered by the novelty of her new surroundings, to the tautening grip of her cable at the anchor which those on board had let go.

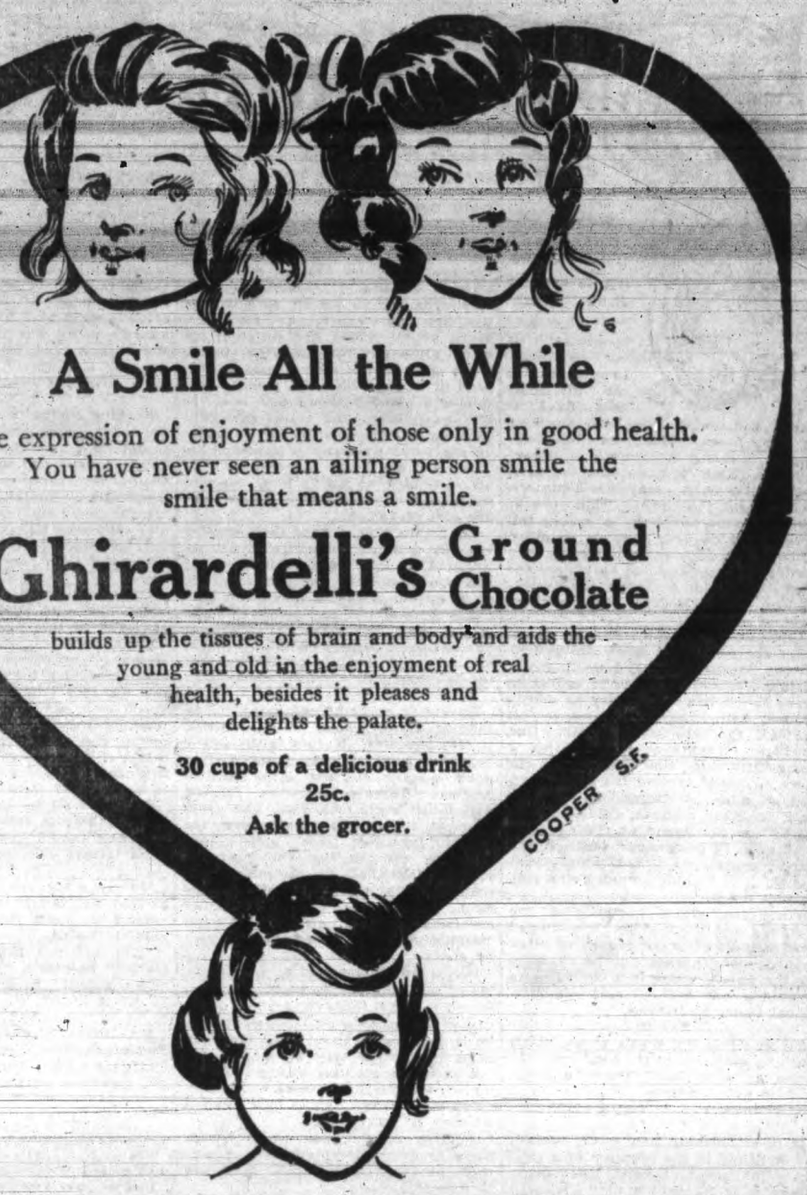
The foreground looked strangely vacant for her going. From the band crashed forth the measures of a swinging melody, but the multitude was too engrossed in gazing after the water-borne monster to pay any heed to it.

Till suddenly they became conscious that the admiral superintendent, waving his cocked hat over his head with an air of contagious enthusiasm, was calling for cheers. On which the subsiding roll of applause swelled again into a veritable tumult, and hats and handkerchiefs flourished like the wavering of a flower garden to the passage of a wind squall. And, then nothing remained but for the crowd to disperse, and to carry home with them the recollection of the birth of another great British battleship.

For my own part, I lingered awhile, dwelling upon the scene that was rapidly taking a deeper tinge of grey in the gathering November dusk.

A little procession of dockyard tugs, with yellow funnels and torrential paddle-wheels, came swooping down upon the stirless giantess. After what gave one the impression of a very sharp tussel, hawsers were attached and the Collingwood was borne away.

As she vanished around the bend in the Hamoaze borne to her berth alongside the north jetty, I turned to go.



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THE INVENTIVE CHINESE.

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The Chinese minister to London was present at a meeting of the China Society, at which papers were read by Lord Li Ching Fong and Ivan Chen, of the Chinese legation.

After Lord Li Ching Fong had read his paper, in which he pointed out that many latter-day "inventions" had been matters of common use in China for many years,

Sir Robert Hart, who presided, remarked that Possibly China's stagnation of late years had been due to the fact that, satisfied with what their fathers had done, the Chinese had left it to others to go ahead. During his first year in China—1824—when passing through Shanghai, he saw children in the streets talking to each with long pieces of string between them, and pieces of wood attacked to the ends. That was the beginning of the telephone. Diabolo had been seen in China for ages; the Chinese were gifted with great inventive powers.

HARD TO MAKE ENDS MEET.

Mrs. Gramercy—"So you find it hard to make both ends meet?" Mrs. Parks—"Yes. The money I won at bridge while away in the country scarcely makes up what my husband lost in town at poker."—Puck.

TRIBUTE TO WORK OF S. MACLURE

"It is but just to remark that the present high average standard attained in domestic architectural achievements in Western Canada is very largely, if not wholly, due to the example set and the influence exerted by one individual, Mr. S. Maclure, a Western Canada architect whose ability and success are the more marked in that he is entirely self-trained, and has enjoyed none of usual advantages of acquiring professional proficiency."

The above is taken from a recent number of The Studio, wherein an article devoted to "Recent Designs in Domestic Architecture," a Canadian writer deals with the work of S. Maclure of this city.

"Even in these globe-trotting days," he remarks, "the majority of people in the Motherland still hold the haziest notions respecting conditions and developments in Western Canada, a country which is usually associated in their minds with visions of Red Indians, grizzly bears, and hardships and perils not in a degree far short of those which the traveller in the wilds of Central Africa may reasonably expect to experience. Yet, in reality, the standard of comfort is very much higher in the towns and villages of British Columbia than it is in many of the large cities of European countries; while even in the mining camps and small settlements such luxuries as electric lighting and telephone services are not uncommonly provided.

"The two principal cities of the province are Victoria, the seat of government, and Vancouver, the commercial and trade centre of the country. Victoria has a population of about 30,000, while that of Vancouver is probably 80,000. Both cities are most charmingly situated, and in the residential sections the majority of building sites, or 'lots,' as they are locally termed, are so laid out as to command magnificent prospects. Here is a broad expanse of ocean (of a blue as deep as that of the Mediterranean, out of which rise in the distance the snow-capped peaks of the caost range; again a beautiful harbor surrounded by pine-clad slopes; or a great stretch of park-like country, timbered with oaks, maples, poplars and alders; of cultivated fields at the fringe of forests; of a rocky shore line; of moorland brilliant with the blaze of broom; and far off beyond the stretch of sea, the jagged line of the Olympian mountains; while again, on clear days, the majestic peak of Mount Baker, 120 miles distant, rises high and clear above the mists around its base. Some suggestion of the natural beauty of Victoria is intelligently afforded in one of Mr. Kiping's recently published 'Letters to the Family,' from which I quote the following: 'To realize Victoria,' he says, 'you must take all that the eye admires most in Bournemouth, Torquay, the Isle of Wight, the Happy Valley of Hongkong, the Dom Sirente, the Camps Bay; add reminiscences of the Thousand Island and arrange the whole round the Bay of Naples with some Himalayas for the back-ground. Real estate agents recommend it as a little piece of England—the land on which it stands is about the size of Great Britain—but no England is set in any such seas, or so fully charged with the mystery of the larger ocean beyond. The high still twilights along the beaches are out of the old east just under the curve of the world, and even in October the sun rises warm from the first. Earth, sky, and water wait outside every man's door to drag him out to play if he looks up from his work; and although some other cities of the Dominion do not understand this immoral mood of Nature, men who have made their money in them go off to Victoria, and with the zeal of converts preach and preserve its beauties.'

"Not the least charm of the coast cities is the good taste generally evidenced in their domestic architecture. In fact, it may be asserted that, having regard to size and population, there are few cities in America, and none in Canada, as similiarly attractive in this respect. Land being relatively cheap, the houses usually stand on sites of generous area; while the growth of vegetation is so rapid and luxuriant that within a year or two after planting, the grounds surrounding a newly-built house have all the appearance of old-established gardens. Another advantage, and one which is of considerable significance from the point of view of the architect, is the mild and equable climate. Whereas in Eastern Canada, for example, the heavy snowfall necessitates that roofs shall be either flat or of very steep pitch, in the west climatic conditions impose no restrictions on architectural design beyond suggesting requirements that tend, if anything, to enhance the possibilities of securing a pleasing effect. Thus in many houses a most important feature of the elevation is not uncommonly the long line of verandah roof and its supporting pillars—a verandah being nearly always a sine quo non in a country where the twilight lingers long and late, and one may sit in the open air to enjoy a view of unparalleled loveliness for nearly six months in the year. Again, no heating other than that afforded by grates and fireplaces is required, and hence, in planning his interior, the architect has not, as in the east, to take into consideration the disposition of unsightly radiators; while, on the other hand, the inclusion of a fireplace may readily become a valuable aid in carrying out a decorative or effective scheme of interior arrangement.

"In British Columbia and throughout the west, wood, of which the forests produce several varieties, notably Douglas fir and cedar, is usually employed for house construction, although not infrequently a local granite of fine quality is used in carrying the outside walls up as far as the first storey. This plan was adopted in the case of the house built for Mr. B. Wilson, on Rockland avenue, Victoria, the lower walls being of split granite, pointed with cement mortar; the upper storey outside walls being formed of studding, to which are nailed one-inch boards, lined with tar-paper, and then lathed and plastered on both sides. The hall is finished in native fir—a cross-grained wood—stained a golden brown and waxed in a dull finish, the flooring being of Australian mahogany—the only material employed not of native production.

"The house of Mr. J. J. Shallcross is situated on a rocky prominence facing east and also commands a view of the straits and mountains. The walls are of split granite boulders, the boarding in the gable being of rough sawn pine stained a dark brown with creosote; and the roof of cedar shingles painted a slate color. The roof rafters are exposed in the hall, the upper part of which is finished with rough plaster, and the lower hall panelled in red cedar of selected grain. The wood-work in the bedrooms is enamelled white.

"In planning interiors considerable care and forethought is invariably exercised to provide an arrangement of rooms and offices whereby the work of the household may be performed with a minimum expenditure of labor. This in a country where few servants are employed is, of course, very necessary, and by reference to Mr. Maclure's floor plans it will be noted that this consideration is kept well in mind; as, for example, in the proximity of kitchen to the dining-room, between which communication is usually afforded by a pass pantry.

"In conclusion, it may be mentioned that, although the rate of wages for mechanics in British Columbia is relatively high—probably twice or three times that obtaining in England—yet, thanks to the low cost of building material, the expense of building is by no means excessive. Thus a tasteful and well-constructed house or cottage of from eight to ten rooms, and resting on a stone foundation, may be built, inclusive of all conveniences—fireplacse, electric lighting, wiring, etc.—at a cost of from £500 to £600, and frequently for less, while even in cases of more pretentious residences, such as those here illustrated, it is rare when the initial outlay exceeds £2,000 or £3,000.

"Mr. Maclure's success as an architect is in no small degree attributable to his sense of the 'fitness of things.' Realizing that the conditions of western life do not admit of ostentation or display, he aims to secure in his work an effect at once suggestive of refinement and sound workmanship, employing always the materials at hand."

"Kitty," said her mother, rebukingly, "you must sit still when you are at the table." "I can't, mamma," protested the little girl. "I'm a vegetarian."—Chicago Tribune.

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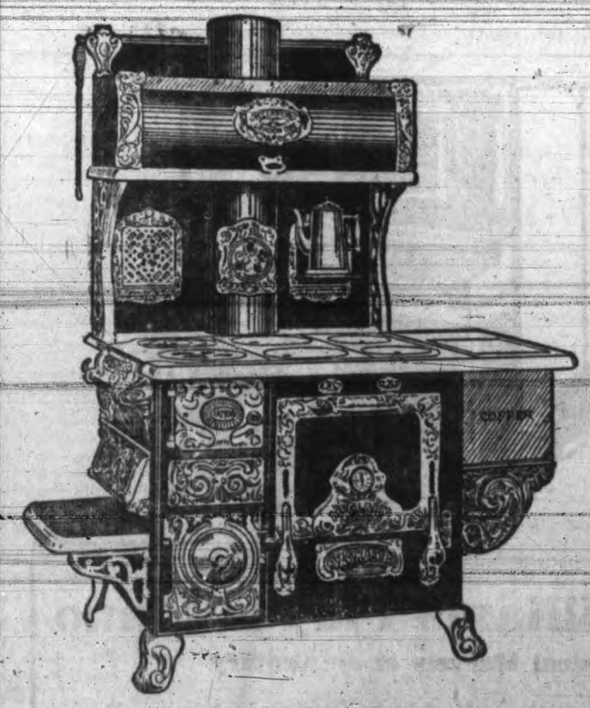

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Undoubtedly Dame Nature knew what she was about when she designed the human form, and many really plain women who are clever enough to make themselves look pretty by means of their hair, have good reason to feel grateful for this saving grave. One shudders to think of the situation if the society belle, the washwoman, the more advanced type of the suffragette, had all alike been condemned to appear on every occasion exhibiting the "bang" or the "bun" or the exaggerated style of pompadour which if the wearer happens to be red-haired makes one think of nothing so much as a full, harvest moon.

When one views portraits of the fearfully and wonderfully constructed head dresses of many women of other countries one cannot but be thankful for the liberty which is accorded us in arranging our hair to suit our individual tastes and styles.

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"Who steals my wife's purse, steals trash," muttered the head of the house, as he fumbled through a bunch of hair pins, recipes, chamois rags, silk samples, etc., to find a quarter.

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It is astonishing how one's necessities multiply in the presence of a supply. One never knows how many things it is impossible to do without until one goes into a big store and is tempted on every hand. One is surprised to perceive at a bazaar, or fancy store, how many conveniences one really needs.

The subtle processes by which a woman convinces herself that she can afford to buy are most interesting. No business man, or broker ever saw through a maze of financial embarrassments half so quickly as a woman sees her way clear to pay for some fancy article which she simply must have, although five minutes before when she had not seen it, she felt no need of it whatever. She pledges herself—and her family—to eat less, to live on plainer and less expensive fools, to do withcut a fire in the parlor except when company is expected, to make her net blouse do another season—anything at all so long as she secures the desired article before some one else gets it.

That's the rub, always—before some one else gets it. Blessings invariably brighten as they take their flight or threaten to take it, and just so surely as a woman hesitates about the purchase of an article, and another woman comes along and says: "Pardon me, but have you decided on taking that?" she grasps it firmly, and decides that she is "taking it."

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Society is a great educator. More than books, or schools, or universities, society educates. Nature is the school house, and many lessons are written upon its walls; but man is the effective teacher. Parents, relatives, friends, associates; social manners, and daily example, the fireside conversation, the casual interview, the spirit that breathes through the whole atmosphere of life—these are the powers and influences that train the mass of mankind. Even books, which are daily assuming a larger place in human training, are but the influence of man on man.

Perpetual solitariness is intolerable. Man's social nature draws him into intercourse, and those whom he meets can in most cases tell him something he is desirous to know. The lower, in spite of all that may be said to the contrary, are strongly drawn to the higher, for the divine spark which is in every man, forces him to look upward whether he will or no.

Children are not content to be always by themselves; curiosity, reverence, filial affection, draw them to their superiors.

Barbarous tribes go on forever in their barbarism, till they are brought into the presence of superior culture, and it is an all-wise and over-ruling Providence that eventually brings nations barbarous and civilized together. In the everlasting ferment of human interests and passions. Sometimes the end is accomplished peacefully by means of trade and missions; oftener their first meeting is at the sword's point, but the result is the same—they meet, and in the end, the meeting is always for the ultimate betterment of the inferior nation.

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Nothing in this world that is worth the having comes to us by chance. We would be a long time daubing with a paint brush on canvas before we should—by chance—paint a picture or a portrait. We might spend weeks and months jumbling letters, and words and sentences together, and yet, from our ignorance of the rules of syntax, not make even one readable paragraph.

The secret of all success lies in ambition first—and stick-to-itiveness second, and of this our recent vocalist Madame Nordica is a good example. Had she been content to remain in an obscure county town, how many outside her own immediate acquaintances would ever have heard of her? Of what use her voice without cultivation? and if she had not been ambitious would she ever have had the stick-to-itiveness which eventually caused her to be crowned Queen of Song.

We can't all be Nordicas, and it is a good thing in many ways. But we can, and should, make the most of what talents we possess.

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Shortly after the new baby had arrived the family doctor visited the nursery to break the news to five-year-old Isabel.

"Wouldn't you like a little brother, Isabel?" he asked.

"No, indeed," replied the small miss, "I detest men."

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Mr. Jones: "Hunger, my son, is the best sauce."

Little Freddie: "But, papa, how can you spread it on anything?"

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Time, nor Eternity, hath seen
A repetition of delight.
In all its phases, ne'er hath been
For men or angels that which is;
And that which is hath ceased to be
Ere we have breathed it, and its place
Is lost in the Eternity.

TIMELY RECIPES

Oysters Scalloped on the Half-Shell.—Buy a pint or very small oysters, and cut them in two with the scissors so as not to break the dark meat; get also the largest shells you can procure. Mix the oysters lightly with a cup of soft bread crumbs, two tablespoonfuls of melted butter, a little salt and pepper, and four tablespoonfuls of oyster juice, or mixed juice and milk, butter the shells, put in the mixture, cover with sifted crumbs and bits of butter, and brown in the oven. Serve on a napkin on a long platter with lemon and parsley.

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Quince Cheese.—Carefully wipe off each quince before peeling, core and slice them, weigh the fruit, and allow three-quarters of a pound of sugar for each pound of fruit, and set the sugar aside until wanted. Place the seeds, skins and cores in an agate kettle and boil with just enough water to cover them. Cook until the parings are soft, so as to extract all the flavor, then strain through a jelly bag. When this liquid is almost cold, put the quinces in the preserving kettle, and add the liquid which drains from the parings, simmer gently until the quinces are soft, take from the fire, and run through a sieve or fine colander, return to the kettle and add the juice of one orange strained to each pound of the fruit. Now add the sugar and boil for fifteen minutes, stirring constantly; if not thick enough, boil longer, taking care not to allow it to burn. When done place in small jars and when cold cover with paraffine and place in a cool, dry place.

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Quince Preserves.—Rub off the fruit thoroughly before paring. Put the parings and cores in a preserving kettle; cover with water and boil for half an hour. Strain this liquor carefully and put it back into the preserving kettle. Boil the quinces in it; not too many at a time, until they are tender; lift out as soon as done, with a drainer and lay on a dish. If this liquor seems scarce add more water. When all are cooked put into this liquor as many pounds of sugar as there were pounds of fruit. Boil thoroughly about ten minutes, then add the quinces. Boil about half an hour. Do not stir them. Slip a silver spoon under them occasionally to see that they do not burn. Some persons add to eight pounds of fruit two fresh lemons sliced thin, others prefer the taste of the quince alone.

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Serve clear soups with heavy dinners—cream soups with light meals.

Cream of Corn.—Press through a sieve the fine-chopped contents of a can of corn. Add one quart milk. When scalding hot stir in two rounding tablespoonfuls flour wet with enough cold water to stir into a smooth mixture. Stir into the hot milk till smooth and creamy. Add one tablespoonful butter, half teaspoonful salt and quarter teaspoonful white pepper. Serve with poached egg in each plate.

Another Cream of Corn.—Boil the corn from 12 large ears in three quarts water half hour. Add one pint rich milk. Boil a few minutes longer. Season with salt, pepper and a large tablespoonful butter rubbed to a cream with a tablespoonful flour.

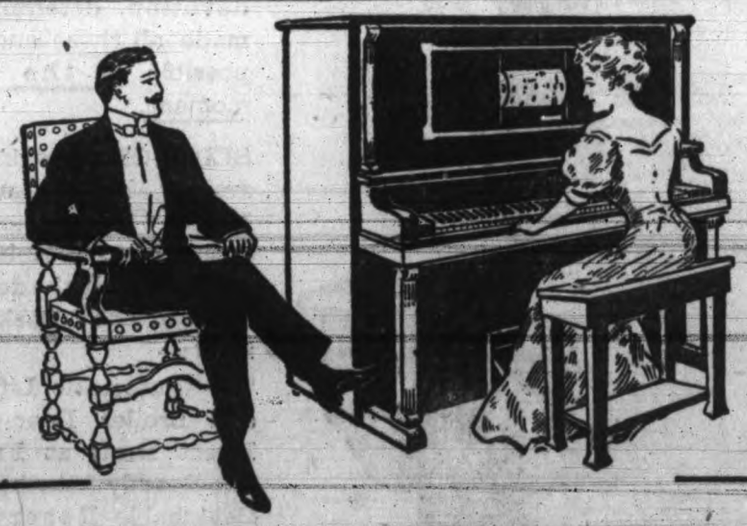
Cream of Pea Soup.—Add one quart hot milk to half pint canned peas pressed through a sieve. When scalding hot add two tablespoonfuls of flour wet with cold water, one tablespoonful butter, quarter teaspoonful pepper and half teaspoonful salt. Serve with sauce which greatly improves the flavor.

Cream of Carrot.—Scrape the skin from tender-cooked carrots. Press through a sieve. Add to one quart milk to double boiler. Wet two tablespoonfuls cornstarch with two tablespoonfuls cold water. Stir into the hot mixture and continue till the soup is creamy. Add one tablespoonful butter and pepper and salt to taste. Serve with sauce.

Puree of Green Beans.—Cook the beans ten minutes in boiling water. Drain. Boil again. Add milk enough to give it ordinary puree consistency. Allow to each quart of the mixture one tablespoonful butter and flour (cooked together as for white sauce). Stir it into the boiling mixture. Season with salt and pepper. Serve with sauce.

Chestnut Soup.—Cover one pound French chestnuts (blanchard) with one pint boiling water. Add one slice onion, three stalks celery, one large sprig parsley. Boil till tender. Press through a sieve. Add one quart hot milk thickened. Reheat and serve.

Tomato Soup.—Into one quart scalding hot milk stir two rounding tablespoonfuls flour wet with cold water. Stir till creamy. Mix one sliced onion, one tablespoonful minced parsley with one quart stewed tomatoes. Cook. Add quarter teaspoonful soda. Press through a sieve. Add one tablespoonful butter and salt and pepper to taste. Don't reheat. Serve with sauce.



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A PRAIRIE ROSE

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CHAPTER V.

Molly! Molly darlin!" called Pat Dewds to his sister, from the foot of the steep, narrow stairway.

"Yes, Pat, I'm comin, just as quick as I can put a foot under me," and Mrs. Maloney rose leisurely from the bed where she had been industriously resting all forenoon, and decended the creaky stairs to the kitchen, which was a living room as well, and like herself had untidiness written large over it. Her dark hair was uncombed; her ample waist showed a bulgy river of white unspanned by any bridge in the form of a belt, and her undarned stockings were plainly visible through shoes which had long owed the cobbler a visit.

Old Pat pushed back his spectacles, and eyed her, hurriedly, depreciatingly, then he took out of the front of his mouth, his one tooth, a long, yellow piece of ivory, which he wrapped in a red cotton handkerchief, and consigned to his pocket.

His sister knew by this that he had something of importance to communicate, and that the case was urgent.

"Shure its sorry oi am to fluster ye, darlin," he said, "but a stranger has come off the stage, the day, an Englishman, an wan av them bloomin' remittance men, Oi'm doubtin', judgin' by the trunks he's after bringin' an' he'll be over here askin' for his dinner just in no time."

Molly's red lips curled in scorn. "An' phat for wud Oi be fashin' meslif with the loikes o' him? Can ye be after tellin' me that, Pat Dewds?" but she went to the window nevertheless, and glanced towards the store just opposite, where a tall, aristocratic looking stranger was standing on the platform talking to Jack Larson, the cow puncher. "By all that's howly, Pat!" she gasped, "itse a rale loiv English Lord, he is, an' no remittance man. Did ye iver see the loikes o' yon mink top-coat that's on him? Phat for cud ye no be tellin' me ye spalphane ye? Throw a clane cloth over thim dishes, can't ye now, shure ye moight have washed thim for me, Oi'm thinkin', an' toss thim dirty clothes intel yer bedroom, an' take the broom and scoot the dirt after thim, but don't be raisin' a dust, moind ye that now; wet the broom in the wash dish. Kape him in chat till I tidy the upstair room a bit, an' clap on me blue tay-jacket with the lace on the slaves."

She had issued her hasty instructions while ascending the stairs and turned on the landing to call down a final injunction: "Give him a dhrop o' cowld tay, Pat, the gintry always loikes that."

Pat did his poor best to bring order out of chaos, but in his haste he forgot his sister's injunction about wetting the broom, and when Jack Larson with prairie bred freedom, threw open the door, and ushered in the English stranger, the living room of the only "stopping house" of which the settlement boasted, was enveloped in a pillar of cloud as dense as that behind which the children of Israel sheltered themselves from the assaults of the Egyptians.

Pat faced the music undismayed, "shure its plazed an' proud Oi am to wilcome the loikes o' you to me poor bit av a place," he said, tossing the broom to the farther corner of the room, and holding out his none too clean hand, with true Irish hospitality.

"An' I'm a bit tired with the long drive, don't you know," returned the newcomer, giving his suit case into the outstretched hand instead of shaking it as its owner had confidently expected, "will you kindly show me to my room and order me a lunch; a mutton chop or a venison pasty would do nicely."

"Sartinly," returned Pat, with a wink at the grinning cow-puncher who was refreshing himself with a drink of "oowld tay" from the spout of a large granite tea pot, "anything your Lordship fancies," another wink, "yell be wantin' a private dinin' room no doubt, so Oi'll jist be after sittin' on the wood pile till sich toimes as yer Lordship is through atin', an' thin Oi'll be makin' a dacent male o' the lavins. Och no," with yet another wink at the cow-puncher, "its forgettin' I am entoirely, shure don't I knoow that there's niver no lavens at all, at all whin an Englishman is doin' the atin. Jack Larson," to the compuncher: "Ye lazy thafe, off wie ye to the valley an' shoot a deer for his Lordship's venison pasty!"

"Aw no, don't trouble," interposed the Englishman, who had only grasped a word here and there of the impertinent harangue, and was taking the deer shooting proposition seriously; "I fear I can't wait for the venison pasty, a bit of chop, or some ham and eggs will do nicely. In the meantime kindly show me to my room, and bring me up some warm water for a bath."

"A bath!" Pat stood aghast jerking the grey frizzle which adorned his chin, and the cow-puncher made a bolt for the outside where he might laugh in comfort.

The Englishman stiffened. "Have I asked for anything unusual?" he inquired.

Pat jerked the frizzle on his chin to one side until it met the corresponding frizzle at the base of his skull. "Shure, the hot wather is no jist to say plentiful, the day," he stammered, "an' its full o' frozen wather from the last day's washin, the tub is, but if yed be contint wie washin' yer feet a bit, I'm thinkin', I cud be afther gittin ye that."

"Very well," returned the Englishman curtly, "show me upstairs."

"Ye'll be wantin' a bedroom to yersel an' no the wan wie the bunks in it," remarked Pat, shuffling ahead of him up the uncarpeted stairway, and stopping on the landing before a door which opened with a latch ingeniously contrived out of a strip of leather, he entered a small, low ceiled room, with a bare, unpainted floor, which was littered with loose straws which had escaped from the home-made mattress during Molly's hasty making.

Pat hastened downstairs and with scorn and wrath the Englishman viewed his new quarters. The outlook was certainly not promising. A bed constructed of rough, unplaned boards, covered with a soiled and faded patchwork quilt, and furnished with a lean, hungry-looking pillow, the opening of which had done service more than once since it had paid a visit to the laundry. A roughly-covered packing-box served as a wash-stand and dresser, and on it was a diminutive washbowl, and a cracked pitcher lacking a handle. Above this was a foot square mirror covered with dust, and from a nail underneath hung a coarse crash towel, none too clean.

Pat soon reappeared with a wooden pail, half filled with lukewarm water, in one hand, and a saucer with a cake of yellow laundry soap in the other, entering the room without the formality of knocking.

"What the devil!" and the irate Englishman with a swift and well-aimed kick, sent the pail and its contents clattering down the stairs, while Pat in his excitement dropped the soap which tumbled after it.

Molly, arrayed in the blue "tay jacket," appeared on the landing and endeavored to pacify her brother, whose recent anger, only imperfectly extinguished, had been fanned to a sudden blaze by the Englishman's too evident non-appreciation of his honest and well-meant efforts to give him the necessary requisites for a "tubbing."

"Let be, Molly! be aisy now!" he exclaimed, following the Englishman back into the bedroom where the latter was putting on his travelling ulster with the mink cuffs and high storm collar, which had so excited Mrs. Maloney's admiration, "shure it's wolpin' the floor wid him Oi'll be."

The stalwart Englishman looked at his bent, crippled antagonist, amusement struggling for the mastery with anger and contempt, and cap in hand, headed for the stairway, indicating the unopened suit case with a curt nod.

Pat, in spite of his anger, paid involuntary homage to one evidently accustomed to command, and followed him meekly, carrying the suit case. Mrs. Maloney had one certain paneca for all ills, "cauld tay," and, having preceded her dissatisfied guest downstairs, she hastily poured him a half glass of clear amber liquid from the granite teapot before mentioned.

"Will your lordship have it straight or with a drap o' hot wather an' sugar?" she asked.

A hungry gleam came into the Englishman's eyes, as he reached out an eager hand. "Straight," he answered briefly, and swallowed the contents of the glass without removing it from his lips.

Then he turned on the beaming Molly with a sharp invective, "What tasteless witche's brew was that?" he demanded, pouring some more of the liquid into the glass and examining it critically.

"Witche's brew is it yer after callin' the best whiskey that iver was made!" stormed Molly, snatching the glass away from him, and putting it to her own lips.

"Now the saints presarve us!" she ejaculated, "shure it's nothin' but just the rale genuine cowld tay out of me other taypot that I kape for the parson when he comes to call." Then she put her hands on her fat sides and laughed so heartily and infectiously that her brother and the Englishman joined.

"'Twas that divil of a parson," muttered Pat lifting the trapdoor leading to the cellar, from when he speedily emerged with a bottle which found its way into the Englishman's suit case, while Pat was the richer by half a sovereign.

"There's nothing loike the rale gintry after all, even though they be a bit sassy," remarked Molly, following the Englishman with her eyes as he crossed the street and re-entered the store.

"Buy some grub here and cook it when you get out to your shanty," advised the cow-punched, who was still in the store when the latter entered. "I'm going out that way and I'll pack you and your traps over," he added good-naturedly.

"Angels and ministers of grace defend us! Is this the place I paid two thousand pounds for?" and Godfrey Lambert put up his eye-glass and stared at the long, low log house described by the Winnipeg land agent as a "suitable dwelling." "So this is Lambert Towers, a la Cannadienne," he thought, grimly, looking first at the fast disappearing cow-puncher and then at the sod-roofed stables made of poles, and partly covered with stacks of straw which lay at some distance to the left of him, while to the right, stretched—his park—several acres of scrubbing willow and poplar surrounded by a barbed wire fence.

"Well, I shall take possesion of my 'lodge in the wilderness,' at least it is my own," and he opened the unlocked door and went in.

The desolate sight which met his eyes he never forgot. The ceiling was low, with roughly-hewn logs for cross-beams, and unplaned boards forming the ceiling and serving as flooring for the upstairs as well. The walls were boarded, and had been pasted over with old newspapers, which, owing to the frost and consequent dampness, hung in tattered shreds; the floor was rough and uneven, and dirty, and in many places burnt in black holes. A rusty cooking stove stood forlornly in the centre of the room, and in one corner was a shelf containing some empty tin cans and a bottle of coal oil.

He thought of his stately ancestral home, Lamber Towers, with its lodges and carriage drives, its parks and terraces, its portrait gallery, its far-famed library, its billiard room, its spacious dining room, its magnificent oak panelled hall with the broad winding stairway, down which royalty itself had more than once descended. "Surely," he thought bitterly, "in all that mighty structure there might have been room found for me, without sending me like Ishmael, to die in the wilderness," and he cursed the unkind fate which had brought him where he was; cursed too, his relatives individually and collectively, and last of all, with the greatest fluency, he cursed the Canadian prairie country in which he found himself, and the Winnipeg land agent who had sold him what he called a very fine improved wheat farm of 640 acres with a suitable dwelling house and stables, close to a thriving town, and surrounded by a large park of native trees.

But he was tired and cold, and decidedly hungry, and in order to cook the "grub" he had bought at the store, the first step was obviously to get a fire. His ideas of getting one were rather hazy, but he did his poor best, and the results were far from being satisfactory. Then he had a happy inspiration. Oil, that was the thing! Oil was good for troubled waters; perhaps it would be good for damp wood. He would try. He pulled some of the tattered paper off the wall, and stuffed it into the stove in front of the wood, and poured over the whole a liberal supply of coal oil, and applied a lighted match. In an instant the fire blazed and crackled, and the smoke puffed out through every crevice, nearly blinding him.

"Nice place this would have been for my 'airy, fairy Lillian,' with her dainty dresses and her useless little white hands," he thought grimly, as he threw open the door. "She did well to refuse to accompany me to Canada and learn to farm. Guess I'd better do as I said I would, when she returned my opal ring so prettily, give it to the first squaw I meet, and—— By jove, looking down the trail, there, "there is a squaw!—and a stunner, too. Where in the deuce did I put that ring?"

The—squaw—was Nan, the half-breed, in a picturesque costume of fawn skin, lavishly ornamented with fringe and bead work, which had belonged to her Sioux mother who had been a chief's daughter. Her little moccasined feet came tripping carelessly and lightly along the frozen trail, until she came opposite the door of the smoke-wreathed house, and face to face with the newcomer, of whom she had caught only a glimpse from the upstair window of the store. Her curiosity had been augmented by the loquacious Billy, who had dwelt largely on the good looks and "igh family," of the newcomer, and heedless of consequences, she had dressed herself as described, and making an unobserved exit by the back window, had hurried to prove for herself the truth of Billy's statements.

The adventure was one after her own heart, and with a coquettish little laugh she asked: "Why don't you turn off the damper and stop the smoke?"

The Englishman had no idea where the damper was to be found and his visitor had, of course, to locate it. Then she leaned against the doorway and surveyed him critically, deciding in her own mind that he and the cow-puncher were very much alike both in size and general appearance.

"You just come?" she asked innocently, turning the full battery of her eyes on him.

"Just this morning," he answered, briefly, his usually ready tongue having failed him, for he had not expected any such dainty vision to visit him in his lodge in the wilderness, and was wondering how soon it would be safe to offer her the ring.

"You going to live in this house all alone?" his visitor asked, warming her slim brown hands at the stove.

"Not if you will come and live with me," he answered with an ardent glance as he bent to put his arm around her waist.

His answer was a stinging slap in the face, and the half-breed made a dash for the door, just as the cow-puncher threw it open with a gay "hallos," which froze on his lips as he saw his dusky sweetheart.

"Climb in," he said curtly, indicating his sleigh with a jerk of his elbow, and for a wonder she obeyed meekly and quietly.

"I brought over the rest of your traps," he continued, turning to the Englishman.

"Awfully kind of you, I'm sure," drawled the latter condescendingly, for he considered the cow-puncher decidedly de trop, just then"; would, aw, a crown be quite sufficient for your services?"

"A crown?" questioned the puzzled cow-puncher, "what sort of a crown do you mean?" and he wondered if a lunatic who thought himself a royal personage, had struck the country.

"Why, a piece of silver, a dollar of your Canadian coin, I believe," answered the Englishman, holding the money towards him.

Larson's face flushed crimson with anger. "Damn your impudence," he said, "I don't want your money. Do you take me for an English lackey?" and before the Englishman had grasped the situation he was gone.

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Lucile, a carefully brought up little girl of 5 years, returned from her first party in great glee.

"I was a good girl, mamma," she announced, "and talked nice all the time."

"Did you remember to say something pleasant to Mrs. Townsend just before leaving?" her mother asked.

"Oh, yes, I did," was the enthusiastic reply. "I smiled and said, 'I enjoyed myself, Mrs. Townsend; I had a lots better dinner than I thought I'd have.'"—The Delineator.

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AT THE AUCTION ROOM

By Marguerite Evans.

Do people on this continent appreciate the minute hand work done by Orientals? was the question I asked myself again and again in Maynard's auction room yesterday afternoon, where the labor of years and years was knocked down under the auctioneer's hammer for a few dollars.

An elegant hand-worked rug representing 240 stitches to the square inch, and one which would last a lifetime went to the paltry sum of $30, and others at equally rediculous prices.

Then there were brass table tops galore, some with histories and some without histories. One stamped with peacocks was knocked down for $6, which would not have paid for the stamping.

"Here," said the auctioneer, "is another," enameled in red with all the nobility of India. "You might look at it for a year and not decipher it all. How much for it?"

"Five dollars: Did I hear some one say, five dollars for a table top engraved with all the nobility of India?

"At five, make it six; at five, make it six. At six, make it seven; at six, make it seven. What, no advance on six. Going at six. First—last—call. Sold for six dollars.

"Now here is a silver and ivory inlaid table. It has a checkerboard top and four drawers, and it cost $200. It is slightly damaged, but can be put in perfect repair for about $20. How much for it?

"Ten dollars! Did I hear somebody say ten dollars for a table worth at least one hundred and eighty? At ten, make it twenty; at ten, make it twenty. Have you any idea of the value of this table? You see it here, its all inlaid with ivory and silver, and the foundation is sandal wood. At twenty, make it twenty-five; at twenty, make it twenty-five; what, no advance on twenty? First—last—sold!

"No. 24. Here is a large vase. This vase has a history. A gentleman coming over from England bought it in New York for twenty-five dollars. Thought we had nothing of the sort here. Got here and saw the same things for seventeen. How much for it? Its a beauty.

"Two dollars! Did I hear some one say two dollars? Why, you all know they can't be bought here a cent under fifteen." At two, make it three; at three, make it four; at four, make it five; at four, make it five. No advance on five? First—last—sold.

"Here is a beautiful pedestal. All hand carved out of a solid block of wood. The invoice price is sixty dollars. Bid on it somebody! Five dollars; five dollars for this beautiful hand-carved pedestal! What are you thinking of. At five, make it ten; at five, make it ten. What, nobody to bid ten? Just look at the carving, and you can use the pedestal for no end of things. It would make a beautiful gardinere stand. At six, make it seven, then at seven, make it eight; at eight, make it eight fifty. No advance on eight fifty for a pedestal invoiced at sixty? First—last—sold.

"Now, here is something entirely different. This beautiful Chinese linen table cover, all hand-drawn work. Its two and a half yards long and two yards wide. Fine as a cobweb, but will last a lifetime, and the oftener its washed the whiter it will get. How much for it.

"One dollar! One dollar for a table cover that took years to make, and is invoiced at seventy-five. Well, anything for a start. Bid it up, somebody. What, did someone say five? Well keep it going. At five, make it ten; at ten, make it fifteen; at fifteen, make it twenty. Keep it going. What, seventeen? At Seventeen, make it twenty—make it eighteen then. No advance on seventeen? Sold.

"You see these curtains? They are all hand embroidered in silk, as you see. How much. Started at five. Keep the thing going. At five, make it ten; what, nobody to say ten? Six then—seven. Going at seven dollars. A pair of curtains that took years to make. Why it wouldn't buy the silk thread in them. Seven dollars. Sold.

"See this beautiful silk and silver table cover. Its full size, all solid hand embroidery in silver braid.

"Take a good look at it. What, three dollars? You're joking surely. At three, make it four. The stuff has to be sold, but I can't give it away out and out. See the quality of the silk. At three, make it four; at four, make it five; what, nobody say five dollars for this beautiful silk and silver cloth. Why its easily worth fifty. Going for four seventy-five. Sold.

"Now, here is a divan spread, taken from an Indian palace. Its at least a hundred years old, and its worth a hundred dollars. What, no bid? Well, we'll call the sale over for to-day."

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Students now at German universities number 47,193. In commenting on these figures, Berlin newspapers express alarm at the overcrowding of the learned professions.

Among the Churches

ANGLICAN.

Christ Church Cathedral.

Special Advent Services.—In accordance with the usual custom there will be special service during Advent in the cathedral. Holy Communion will be celebrated at 8 a. m. and 11 a. m. to-morrow. In connection with the service at 11 o'clock there will be a parade of the cadet corps of University and Collegiate schools. Staff Sergeant Clark, of the Fifth Regiment, will have charge of the parade, and it is expected that the corps will number at least one hundred. The buglers and drummers will accompany the parade. The officers of the Collegiate corps are Captain F. Lowenholm, Lieuts. R. A. Smith and J. A. Grant. The officers of the University corps are Captain W. J. Bowser, Lieuts. K. Corsan and H. Hilltout. Canon Beanlands will preach the sermon, and will have something of special interest for the boys of the cadet corps.

Confirmation Service. — To-morrow evening Bishop Perrin will conduct a confirmation service. A large class has been prepared, and will be presented to the bishop for confirmation. At the close of the regular service there will be a short service for intercession for missions. It will be thus seen that the programme for to-morrow's services at the cathedral is a most interesting one and should attract large congregations.

St. John's.

Successful Bazaar.—The bazaar and sale of work held last Tuesday evening was most successful from every point of view. The ladies having the matter in hand are very gratified at the monetary results of their efforts. The picture gallery feature was greatly enjoyed and the useful and fancy articles displayed found ready sale. The proceeds are to be devoted to the reduction of the debt on the new St. John's hall.

Anglican Young People.—Last Wednesday evening the members of the Young People's Association enjoyed a social evening, and also discussed business in connection with the organization. Next Wednesday Bishop Perrin is to address the members of the association on the subject, "The Presages of the Prayer Book." A large attendance of members and friends is expected to listen to this interesting address.

REFORMED EPISCOPAL.

Church of Our Lord.

Successful Anniversary.—In spite of the somewhat inclement weather of last Sunday very successful anniversary services were held. The musical programme for the day was very interesting, and Rev. T. W. Gladstone's sermons were appropriate for the day. A large number attended both services and much interest was taken in the day by the congregations.

Advent Sermons.—Rev. T. W. Gladstone is preaching a course of Advent sermons, and to-morrow his subjects will be: Morning, "The Scripture and Christ's Coming." Evening, "Why Christ Came. 1. To Do God's Will."

Saturday Prayer Meeting.—It has been found advisable to change the hour of the Saturday prayer meeting from 8 p. m. to 5 o'clock in the afternoon. All are invited, whether members of the congregation of the Church of Our Lord or not, to attend these meetings and seek the Divine blessing upon the services of the Sabbath.

CONGREGATIONAL.

First Church.

Sale of Work.—Those having the responsibility for the sale of work that was held last Wednesday afternoon and evening are extremely grateful to their patrons for the generous response made to their efforts. In every way the sale was most successful. The building was very tastefully decorated. The articles on the counters were readily disposed of and a good sum will be netted to the church as a result of the sale. The musical programme was very much appreciated, and those taking part received the hearty applause of the audience.

Young People.—The meeting of the Young People's Society on Monday next will be of a devotional character. This is the regular monthly devotional meeting, and it is hoped that every member will be present.

Missionary Lecture.—On Thursday evening next A. T. Frampton will give his lecture on "Child Life in Heathen Lands." The lecture will be illustrated by some splendid views and is most interesting. The usual prayer meeting will be held in combination with the lecture.

Mr. Dunstan's Visit.—The congregation of First church are looking forward with pleasant anticipation to the lecture to be given by Rev. E. Tremayne Dunstan, of Seattle, on "Cecil Rhodes, the Empire Builder." The lecture will be given on December 14th or 15th, and the exact date will be announced as soon as Mr. Dunstan is heard from.

METHODIST.

Metropolitan.

Miss Murcutt's Lectures.—As usual Miss Murcutt's lectures were of a most interesting nature, and the audiences which assembled in the church on the evenings given up to these lectures were greatly delighted with what they heard. The lantern views were of a most interesting nature, and Miss Murcutt's fame as a lecturer was enhanced by her efforts of this week.

Missionary Prayer Meeting.—The Woman's Missionary Auxiliary took charge of the prayer meeting last Thursday, and a very helpful service was held. Mrs. A. J. Brace, president of the Auxiliary presided, the scripture was read by Mrs. MacCallum, and a most helpful and interesting address was delivered by Miss Copeland on "Prayer and Missions." One feature of the meetings that was greatly enjoyed was the statement of missionary facts by different members of the Auxiliary.

Sunday School Concert.—The concert given by the Sunday school last evening in aid of the library fund was a very successful affair. Every number on the programme was greatly enjoyed and a goodly sum will be netted for the new books to be added to the library.

Young Women's Club.—The meeting of the Young Women's Club next Wednesday promises to be a very interesting one. Miss Hall, a graduate in Domestic Science, will deliver an address on "Invalid Cookery." All young women are cordially invited to the meeting, which is held in the lecture room of the church.

Personal.—Rev. A. Henderson, of Vernon, was a visitor to the city this week, and called upon Rev. T. E. Holling. Mr. Henderson was a member of the Manitoba conference, from which Mr. Holling came to Victoria.

Sunday Sermon.—To-morrow evening Mr. Holling will preach on "Nehemiah and His Neighbors, or the Architect and Builder of Life."

Centennial.

Missionary Sale.—The bazaar held under the auspices of the Sunday school last Wednesday evening was a complete success. The proceeds, which will net upwards of $80 will be devoted to the forward movement for missions.

Missionary Lecture.—The lecture given by A. T. Frampton last Thursday evening on "Child Life in Heathen Lands" was enjoyed by all. The lantern slides are interesting as throwing much light on the life of children of other lands, and told the story of the need for missionary effort very vividly. There was a good attendance.

Sunday Services.—The pastor, Rev S. J. Thompson, will conduct both services to-morrow. In the afternoon the two adult Bible classes will meet as usual. The recently formed ladies' class is meeting with success and the attendance is very encouraging. The men's class is also doing good work, and will prove a force in the life of the church.

Pastor's trip.—Rev. S. J. Thompson visited New Westminster this week attending an important meeting of the board of Columbian College of that city. The reports of the principal and managers showed that the institution was having a successful year. There are a large number of pupils in attendance, and more have signified their intention of commencing class work after the Christmas holidays. Principal Sipprell is paying a short visit to Toronto in order to be present at the meeting of the board of education of the Methodist church to be held on December 9th. The staff of teachers is an excellent one, and the work is progressing well.

Victoria West.

Popular Lecture.—Rev. S. J. Thompson has kindly consented to deliver his lecture on "Ireland and the Irish" in the Victoria West Methodist church next Tuesday evening. There will be a short musical programme, and the price of admission will make the lecture within the reach of all. This lecture attracted a large audience when it was delivered in the Centennial church, and was spoken of very highly by all that heard it.

BAPTIST.

First.

Reception Service.—To-morrow evening the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be dispensed at the regular church service, and the right hand of fellowship will be given to many who are joining the church.

Report of Delegates.—The delegates who attended the recent Baptist convention in Vancouver made their report of the meetings at the regular prayer service on Thursday last. The congregation listened with interest to the reports of progress and advancement made by the denomination during the past year. At a specially called church meeting which took place at the close of the Thursday evening service considerable business was discussed and among other things it was decided to place the site of the old Calvary church on the market and build nearer the centre of the city.

New Barraca Class.—A movement is on foot to organize a men's Bible class in connection with the Burnside Mission. There is a good opening for such a class, and it is expected that many will join the new organization.

Philathea Class.—In connection with the Sunday school of First church a Philathea class has been organized. This movement is for the ladies of the church what the Baraca movement is for the men. The class which has just been organized meets every Sunday afternoon in Victoria hall. The following officers were elected: President, Miss Bessie Walker; vice-president, Miss Winnie Beckwith; secretary, Miss Olive Price; treasurer, Miss Madge Middleton, teacher (pro tem), Miss Mildred Middleton.

Emmanuel.

Temperance Sunday. — Temperance Sunday was observed in Emmanuel Baptist church with a good programme given by members of Knox Presbyterian and Emmanuel Baptist churches. The singing of Mrs. Clyde and Mr. Kinnaird, and the recitations of Mrs. Andrews and Miss Croot were exceptionally good and were much appreciated by both schools. R. C. Horn gave an address on the subject of the day, which drove home the great truths of temperance to the minds of his hearers and short addresses were given by the Revs. McCoy, Letts and Spencer.

Christmas Tree.—Emmanuel Baptist Sunday school will enjoy their Christmas tree and supper on the evening of Tuesday, December 29th. The scholars are busy preparing a first class programme to be given on that occasion.

PRESBYTERIAN.

First Church.

Club Meetings.—The meetings of the First Presbyterian Club, which are held each Monday evening, have been attended with much interest this season. The programme varies for each meeting and tends to upbuild the intellectual and social life of the members. The meetings are open to all and visitors who attend are made heartily welcome. The club meets in the school room of First church at 8 p. m. each Monday.

Musical Treat.—The rehearsals for the Oratorio "St. Paul" have proved very successful, and a rich treat is in store for the crowds that will attend the performance on Wednesday evening next. J. G. Brown has gathered together a strong combination of singers, and the congregation looks forward to the musical event as another triumph for their faithful choir leader.

St. Andrew's.

Rev. Mr. Clay's Lecture.—The public generally will be pleased with the announcement that Rev. W. Leslie Clay is to give the second of his series of lectures on his recent trip through Europe on Wednesday, December 16th. The subject of the lecture will be "Scotland," and many excellent views of the Land of the Heather will be shown in illustration of the lecture.

St. Paul's.

Communion Services.—The quarterly sacramental service will be held in St. Paul's church to-morrow morning at the close of the regular service. At the preparatory meeting held on Thursday evening last the pastor, Rev. D. Macrae, gave the address, and was assisted in the service by Rev. Mr. Fotheringham. Several new members were received into fellowship with the church.

Y. M. C. A.

Men's Meeting.—Rev. T. E. Holling will address the men's meeting on Sunday afternoon in the Y. M. C. A. auditorium on the subject, "The Challenge of Christ to the Young Men of To-Day." The orchestra of fourteen pieces will lead the singing and R. C. Horn, vice-president, will occupy the chair. The young men of the city are cordially invited to be present.

Theatre Meetings.—The evangelistic meetings held in the New Grand theatre during the past month have met with a success which is very gratifying to the workers. The meeting on Sunday evening has been given over to the local option committee, and the Y. M. C. A. will lead the singing and help in every way possible.

Encouraging Reports.—The monthly meeting of directors held during the past week was one of the most encouraging in the history of the association. Reports from every department showed advancement, and the director's carry on their work with renewed courage and hope.

Christmas Dinner.—The management are making much of the Christmas dinner for young men away from home, and they expect to have a royal time for their guests. Plans are under way for the annual New Year reception and the festive season will mean much to Y. M. C. A. workers.

Secretary's Trip.—General Secretary Brace went to Vancouver last night to attend the B. C. A. U. meeting, and will return Monday.

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS OF THE W. C. T. U.

Local Branch Will Next Week Celebrate Founding.

A special parlor meeting has been called to take place on Thursday next, December 10th, at 3 p. m., at the home of Mrs. J. T. Reid, Douglas street (at the end of the car line.) This meeting is to celebrate the 25th anniversary of the establishment of the local women's Christian Temperance Union. The programme will be in the hands of the charter members, and a very interesting time is promised to all who attend. Those who do not happen to be members of the W. C. T. U. will be made heartily welcome and, of course, every member will be expected to be present on this noteworthy occasion.

Among the charter members still living, and residing in the city are the following: Mesdames D. Spencer, Teague, Flett, Bullen, Goodacre, Carne, Jenkins, Gordon Grant, Spofford and Etheridge (Strawberry Vale.) There are other charter members, but there names could not be secured for this item. It is hoped that all those, now living in the city, who were present at the initial meeting 25 years ago, will be present to celebrate this notable anniversary.

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MEETING TO DISCUSS LOCAL OPTION WORK

Rev. Dr. Spencer Will Address a Gathering Sunday Night.

The Y. M. C. A. has kindly given over the meeting in the New Grand theatre on Sunday evening next to the Local Option League of Victoria, and a mass meeting for men and women will be held at 8.45 p. m., after the close of the regular church services.

Rev. Dr. Spencer, who has been offered the superintency of the Local Option League for the whole province, will deliver an address entitled "Shall we have Local Option in British Columbia?" Dr. Ernest Hall will preside, and there will be appropriate music and a selection by the male voice quartette. A hearty invitation is given to all interested to attend this meeting. There will be a collection in aid of the local option work.

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ANGLICAN.

Christ Church Cathedral, Burdette avenue. The services for the day are: Holy communion, 8 a. m.; morning service and holy communion, 11 a. m.; evening service and confirmation, 7 p. m. The music follows:

Morning.

Venite and Psalms for 6th Day .... Cathedral Psalter
Te Deum .... Woodward
Benedictus ..... Wesley
Kyrie ..... Calkin
Hymns ..... 50, 447 and 540

Evening.

Psalms for 6th Day....Cathedral Psalter
Magnificat ..... Ouseley
Nunc Dimittis ..... Foster
Hymns ..... 157, 349 and 271
Vesper Hymn ..... Armitage

St. Barnabas', corner of Cook street and Caledonia avenue. There will be a celebration of the holy eucharist at 8 a. m., matins at 10.30 a. m., choral eucharist and sermon at 11 a. m., children's service at 2.30 p. m., choral evensong at 7 p. m. The rector, Rev. E. G. Miller, will be the preacher for the day, taking for his subject, "Holy Scriptures Preparation and Use." All seats are free and unappropriated. The musical arrangements are as follows:

Morning.

Organ—Andante ..... Gluck
Communion Service .... Simper in A Flat
Hymns ..... 243, 317, 320 and 107
Offertory Anthem ..... Fitzgerald
Nunc Dimittis ..... St. John
Organ—Postlude in G ..... Dr. Storer

Evening.

Organ—Shepherds' Song ..... S. Bath
Psalms ..... Cathedral Psalter
Magnificat ..... Barnby
Nunc Dimittis ..... Wesley
Hymns ..... 49, 51 and 242
Litany ..... 463, Pts. 1, 2, and 3
Organ—And He Shall Purify ..... Handel

St. John's, Douglas street, corner of Fisguard. Preachers: Morning, the Bishop of Columbia; evening, Rev. A. J. Stanley Ard. Subject, "Inspiration of Scriptures." The music follows:

Matins.

Organ Voluntary .....
Processional Hymn .....
Venite ..... Alcock
Psalms for 6th Morning .....
.... Cathedral Psalter
Benedicite ..... Maunder
Jubilate ..... Goodson
Hymn 52
Kyrie ..... Burnett in A Flat
Gloria Tibi ..... Burnett in A Flat
Hymns ..... 51 and 322
Recessional Hymn .....
Organ—Postlude .....

Evensong.

Organ Voluntary .....
Processional Hymn 224
Psalms for 6th Evening Cathedral Psalter
Magnificat ..... Barnby
Nunc Dimittis ..... Wesley
Anthem—I Will Sing ..... Sullivan
Hymns ..... 206 and 203
Amen ..... Threefold
Vesper ..... Burnett
Organ—Postlude .....

St. James', Quebec street, corner of St. John. Rector, Rev. J. H. S. Sweet. Mating and sermon at 11, holy communion at 12, children's service at 3, evensong and sermon at 7. The music follows:

Morning.

Voluntary—Luder, D Major ..Mendelssohn
Venite and Psalms .... Cathedral Psalter
Te Deum ..... 3rd Alternative
Benedictus ..... Langdon
Hymns ..... 49 and 165
Kyries ..... Bridgewater
Sanctus ..... Bridgewater
Com. Hymn 326
Nunc Dimittis ..... Felton
Voluntary—Lied ..... Greig

Evening.

Organ Voluntary—Romance .. Ed. Clark
Psalms ..... Cathedral Psalter
Cantate ..... Woodward
Deus Misereatur ..... Lyttleton
Hymns ..... 48, 226 and 54
Vesper Hymn ..... Caffire
Organ Voluntary—Petite Marche .. Clark

Anglican Mission Sunday school, Oak Bay district, held in Foul Bay road schoolhouse every Sunday at 3 p. m. Under the auspices of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew.

REFORMED EPISCOPAL.

Church of Our Lord, Humboldt street. Services at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. Sermons by Rev. T. W. Gladstone. Subject for the morning, "The Holy Scriptures and Christ's Coming"; evening, "Why Christ Came: To Do God's Will." Sacrament of the Lord's Supper at morning service. The music follows:

Morning.

Organ—Andante .... Geo. Forbes
Venite and Psalms—As set .....
.... Cathedral Psalter
Te Deum—XI. .... Mercer
Benedictus—XII. .... Mercer
Hymn ..... Hark, the Glad Sound
Kyrie—XXI. .... Mercer
Hymn ..... Lo, He Comes
Hymn ..... Till He Comes

Evening.

Organ—Prelude .... Haydn
Hymn ..... Rejoice, All Ye Believers
Psalms—As set ..... Cathedral Psalter
Magnificat—IV. .... Mercer
Nunc Dimittis—VI. .... Mercer
Hymn ..... Just as I Am
Hymn ..... My God, My Father
Hymn ..... Sun of My Soul
Organ—Chorale ..... J. W. Elliott

CONGREGATIONAL.

First, Pandora avenue, corner of Blanchard street. Public worship at 11 a. m. and 7.30 p. m. The pastor, Rev. Hermon A. Carson, B. A., will conduct the services and preach. Morning theme, "Fires, the Causes and Effects, Compared to Human Experiences"; evening, "In His Service." At the conclusion of the evening service a member will be received into church fellowship and the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be administered. Bible school and men's own Bible class, also adult Bible class for women, at 2.30 p. m. Y. P. S. of W. W.'s devotional meeting on Monday at 8 p. m. Prayer meeting and illustrated missionary lecture by A. T. Frampton Thursday at 8 p. m. Good singing at all services. Strangers and visitors always cordially welcomed.

METHODIST.

Metropolitan, corner of Pandora avenue and Quadra street. Pastor, T. Ernest Holling, B. A. Services: 10 a. m., class meetings; 11 a. m., "Christian Certitude"; 2.30 p. m., Metropolitan Sabbath school; 2.45 p. m., Spring Ridge Sabbath school; 7.10 p. m., organ recital by Edward Parsons: Chorus of Angels (Scotson Clark), Introduction and Allegro (T. Driffield), Chorale, Fuga and Finale (Mendelssohn); 7.30 p. m., order of service:

Doxology .....
Invocation .....
Hymn No. 712—Eternal Father, Thou Hast Said That Christ All Glory Shall Obtain .....
Prayer .....
Anthem—The Heavens Are Telling, from Haydn's Creation .....
Scripture Lesson .....
Hymn No. 43—Jesus, Master, Whom I Serve .....
Sermon—"The Story of Nehemiah and His Neighbors," or "Architects and Builders of Life."
Solo—Crossing the Bar ..... Cowles
Mr. Davis.
Hymn No. 812—The Day Is Past and Over .....
Benediction .....
Organ Postlude—March in G..Hy. Smart

Victoria West, corner of Catherine and Wilson streets. Divine service at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. Sunday school, 2.30 p. m. Prayer meeting, Thursday, 8 p. m. The pastor will preach both morning and evening to-morrow. Morning subject, "Thy Kingdom Come." "Ireland and the Irish," lecture by Rev. S. J. Thompson, Tuesday next, at 8 p. m. A hearty welcome to all. A. E. Roberts, pastor.

Centennial, Gorge road. Rev. S. J. Thompson will preach at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. Subjects: Morning, "Atonement in Christ"; evening, "Good Old Paths."

BAPTIST.

First, Victoria hall, Blanchard street, near Pandora. Services at 11 and 7.30. Rev. Christopher Burnett, pastor, will preach morning and evening. Subject, "Things That Accompany Salvation." The Lord's Supper after the evening public service and reception of new members. Sunday schools, main, Burnside and Victoria West, at 2.30. Men's Baraca Bible class at 2.30 in No. 1 hall, A. O. U. W. building, Yates street.

Emmanuel, Spring Ridge. Rev. Dr. Spencer will preach at both services. Morning subject, "The Likeness and Unlikeness of Jesus." Communion at the close of morning service. Church members are particularly requested to be present. Evening subject, "How Can a Man Be Just With God?" Miss Cocker, soloist, and the male quartette will sing. Men's class and Sunday school at 2.30 p. m. Young people's meeting on Monday at 8 p. m., subject, "What Baptists Stand for." Thursday, prayer meeting at 8. Reports of convention. Strangers and visitors cordially invited.

Tabernacle, corner of Fort and Cook streets. Rev. F. T. Tapscott, M. A., pastor. Theme for to-morrow, "The Case of a Man Who Had Committed the Unpardonable Sin."

PRESBYTERIAN.

St. Andrew's, Douglas street, corner of Broughton. Pastor, Rev. W. Leslie Clay, B. A. Services will be held at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. Sabbath school, 2.30. Bible class, 3. The pastor will be the preacher at both services. Evening subject, "The Fourth Commandment." Strangers heartily welcome.

First, Pandora avenue, corner of Blanchard street. Services as usual at 11 a. m. and 7.30 p. m. Rev. Dr. Campbell, pastor, will preach on both occasions. Sabbath school and Bible class at 2.30 p. m. All strangers and visitors will receive a cordial welcome at all services.

Knox, Stanley avenue. Rev. Joseph McCoy, M. A., minister. Services at 11 a. m. Sabbath school, 2.30 p. m. A cordial invitation given to all. The musical programme is as follows:

Psalms ..... 115 and 105
Anthem—Hail to the King of Light ..
.... C. B. Adams
Sermon ..... By the Pastor
Soprano Solo—More Love to Thee ....
.... Jesse Longfield
Miss E. McLaren.
Hymns ..... 3 and 312

St. Paul's, Henry street, Victoria West. Rev. D. MacRae, pastor. Services at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be dispensed at the morning service. Sabbath school at 2.30, and Y. P. S. C. E. at 3.15 p. m.

OTHER DENOMINATIONS.

Psychic Research Society, K. of P. hall, Pandora avenue, corner of Douglas street. Rev. Florence R. White, test medium and speaker, of Boston, Mass., will conduct a special service at 8 p. m., when questions from the audience will be psychometrically answered through the medium. Spirit messages and clairvoyant descriptions will also be given during the evening. All are cordially invited.

Christian Science, K. of P. hall, Pandora street, corner of Douglas street. Services on Sunday mornings at 11 o'clock. Subject to-morrow, "God the Only Cause and Creator." All are welcome.

Christadelphians, Labor hall, Douglas street. Bible lecture at 7 p. m. Subject, "No Peace Till the Seventh Millenium." All welcome. No collection.

Society of Friends, Harmony hall, View streets Meeting for worship at 3 p. m.

St. Paul's Lutheran, Mears street, near Quadra. German services in connection with the Lord's Supper will be held at 7.30 p. m. Rev. Just will officiate. All members and German friends are asked to attend.

Harmony Hall Mission, View street. Sunday school, 9.45 a. m.; meeting for worship, 11 a. m.; Gospel service, 7 p. m., to be addressed by G. H. Little.

Christadelphians, A. O. U. W. buildings, Yates street. Public lecture at 7.30 p. m. Subject, "Jerusalem in History and Prophecy." All welcome.

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CHAPTER V.—(Continued.)

Maurice and Emile Berger breakfasted alone together, eating little of the meal whose perfection proved that Signor Boncini was anxious not to lose a post worth two thousand a year and all found. Lady Mary was prostrate in bed, and Millicent had charge of her. The two young men talked as sparingly as they ate, discussing merely what necessary formal things were arranged, and what remained to be done. Emile who was much affected by grief, seemed to take his cue, cautiously, from Maurice.

Less than five hours had elapsed since the discovery of the murder, and already an astounding transformation had occurred in Maurice. From a dreamer he had developed into a resolute and effective force. The situation which he had been called upon to meet was trying and complex in the highest degree. But he was meeting it with entire adequacy, by the startling sudden exercise of that organizing power, that directive activity at once broad and minute, which had so strongly characterized his dead father. He had taken command and everyone was obeying him—obeying him, moreover, with alacrity that comes from awe. Emile, his intimate, was not a stranger to this feeling. For not even to Emile had he deigned to be confidential; not even to his capable and self-controlled, tragic-eyed sister! He was a changed man. He had become the sort of person whom acquaintances will discuss in a whisper when his back is turned.

His secretive and brooding demeanor baffled comprehension. In particular he had offered no shadow of a surmise as to the identity of the criminal. The frightful enigma that imposed itself on Tudor Hundreds like a heavy cloud through which all objects were seen distorted and terrifying, seemed not to exist for him. Apparently he was too absorbed in the immediate consequences of the crime to trouble himself with its causes.

The immediate consequences had commenced with the arrival of the police, followed by a local doctor on horseback, and the coroner's officer, about seven o'clock. At eight o'clock so rapid was the march of things, an order for a post-mortem had been obtained, the inquest arranged for the next day but one, and telegraphic and telephonic messages dispatched to Scotland Yard and to Beakbane. Emile had himself taken a note from Maurice to Norah Crampiron. It was during that breakfast that the first telegrams, like the scattered flakes preluding a snow-storm, descended on the house. They came from Scotland Yard, from the cashier of the Bank of England, and from two newspapers. Already the news was afoot in London. By eleven o'clock the storm had burst in full fury, and Maurice had installed himself in his father's study to deal with it, Emile and a clerk from the household accounts office constituted his staff.

The butler, gifted with a slow and distinct manner of speech, was permanently seated in a chair at the telephone.

At noon half the special reporters of Fleet street were assaulting the portals of Tudor Hundreds. At half-past twelve this army was outside the domains, exterminated by administrative order of Maurice.

At one o'clock a stream of other callers set in, direct by train from London: clerks and principals from the city, envoys from politicians, a special messenger from a royal palace. Then came the first inquisitive cables from the chancelleries and the bourses of the continent. Carl Courlander was dead!

Maurice battled with the storm of telegrams and the ever-rising flood of callers until three o'clock, when, returning to the study after an interview with two stockbroking friends of his father in the drawing-room, he impetuously exclaimed to Emile—

"I'm going to stop this."

And he pushed twice at an electric button on his desk.

An undersized Chinaman, dressed in a dark blue robe, with a long black pigtail, came smoothly and silently into the room. This was the body-servant of the late Carl. The death of his master, however, had produced no visible effect on that superb Oriental nonchalance. The outwardly humble valet attained with supreme perfection what Lord Doncastle had spent a lifetime in striving for—that is to say, an absolute indifference. When informed by Maurice at early morning of Carl's murder, he had not even lifted those slating eyebrows of his. Yet more than once he had proved his sincere attachment to Carl. The late financier had found him starving, with miraculous bland resignation, in the precincts of the Paris Exhibition of 1900; had taken a fancy to him, and had added him to the innumerable Courlander retinue, in which he had soon achieved an important position. He was faithful, discreet, efficient, and mysterious—qualities which had naturally endeared him to Carl. In the whole tenebrous affair of the murder, perhaps nothing had astonished Maurice more than that Curtis (he was named Curtis because for thirty years all Carl's valets had been named Curtis—after the first one) could throw no light whatsoever on the darkness.

"Curtis," said Maurice, swinging round on his pivoted chair, "how many people are still waiting to see me?"

"Seven, sir," Curtis responded, with his exotic accent.

"I will see none of them."

"Yes, sir."

"Tell Otway to tell them."

"Yes, sir."

"I will see no more visitors to-day, except Mr. Beakbane, Mr. Crampiron and Miss Crampiron, the doctor, and the men from Scotland Yard. Understand—nobody!"

"Yes, sir."

Curtis left the room with the strange impassivity of a god walking out of a temple, his arms crossed in his wide, hanging sleeves.

The instructions seemed simple and complete; but they proved to be futile. There were men in the domain who meant to see Maurice and who did see him, invading even the fastness of the study. A viscount who nourished his distinguished blood on the directors' fees of seventeen public companies, and who knew the geography of the house, deliberately engaged the armies of Otway, the butler, and after beating them off with great loss, fled with his white moustaches and white gaiters to the study and entered it without knocking.

Maurice, as dangerous as an explosive, summoned Curtis.

"Show out this gentleman," he said to Curtis, "and then come back to me."

The showing out of the directorial viscount was a historic scene (not, however, recorded in the viscount's published memoirs "Town and City from 1855 to 1905.")

"Yes, sir," said Curtis, returning.

"Order all the lodge-gates to be closed to everybody except the people I mentioned and the telegraph boys."

"Yes, sir."

"And then stand outside this door."

"Yes, sir."

Thenceforward Maurice attended to business undisturbed. The Chinaman stood moveless in the centre of the long corridor, and received telegrams, telephone messages and letters. And the hours passed, and Beakbane did not come, nor anyone from Scotland Yard, nor either of the Crampirons. And a servant brought tea for Maurice and Emile and the clerk. And more hours passed. And Maurice and Emile went down to dinner, and a servant brought the clerk's dinner; and then Maurice and Emile came back. The doctor happened to meet Maurice on the stairs. He reported that the autopsy was finished and that Carl Courlander had died from injury to the tricuspid valve of the heart, given by some small sharp instrument. And Curtis remained always in the corridor, accepting and delivering every manner of communication. Occasionally he paced meditatively to and fro in the corridor. At dusk he switched on the light.

It was shortly after this that an officious and splendid young man, accompanied by one of the Courlander servants in a state of agitation, appeared at the end of the corridor and rapidly approached Curtis. This youth had the air of a nincompoop, but he had proved that he was not exactly a nincompoop by getting past the lodge-gates and as far as Curtis.

He personally extended a card to Curtis, and Curtis perused on the card the words: "The Earl of Fenton."

"I must see Mr. Courlander," said the visitor, commandingly.

"No, sir," Curtis gravely replied.

There was a pause.

"But I must," said the visitor, persuasively.

"No, sir," Curtis gravely repeated.

Another pause, in which the visitor glanced as if for moral aid at the other servant—aid not rendered.

"But don't you know. I'm private prime minister?" said the visitor, furiously. "I must see Mr. Courlander. I've come specially. It's of the highest importance."

"No, sir," Curtis gravely iterated.

The earl rapidly considered within himself what was the most precious thing in the world, and decided that it was his dignity. He therefore departed, too proud to ask that a note should be sent in to Maurice.

Maurice was unaware of such episodes. He sat now, as he had sat during the major part of the day, calm and absorbed, at the broad desk in the vast study. Except Curtis, there was not a soul in the house who did not show more grief than Maurice. Two hundred answered telegrams, cables and letters lay in piles to his left hand; a hundred and seventy missives still unanswered lay to his right. Emile and the clerk were writing at a table in a corner. A green-shaded electric lamp lighted their labors. Another lamp, similarly shaded, threw a circle of illumination on Maurice's blotting-paper. The rest of the apartment was in gloom. Outside, the last silver of twilight had not faded from the sky. Here in this room was a little centre of human life; another existed in Lady Mary's bedroom, where the chatelaine, under rose-tinted lamps, was watched over by her daughter and a maid; still other centres were in the servants' hall, and at the great north door, where footmen foregathered, and in the stables, and in the garage, and in the conservatories, and in each of the lodges. And within the dim locked bedroom of the late master, shut in a shell on the stripped bed, reposed solitary the dead body of Carl.

And over all still hung the heavy cloud of the enigma, made heavier by the passage of time and by the unexplained and inexplicable absence of persons who ought not to have been absent. Word had come long hours ago that Beakbane and detectives were en route from London. Yet they had not arrived, and surely either Norah or her father should at least have sent a message! Yet there was no sign from them. Even the Dunstable police, Maurice was informed, had left. All these phenomena were extremely curious and disconcerting.

A phenomenon still more curious and still more disconcerting occurred a little later. The door of the study opened and Curtis floated into the room dangling by the scruff of the neck in the right hand of a tall, burly, and cheerful individual.

Curtis had been defeated.

"You are Mr. Maurice Courlander," said the individual.

"What do you want?"

"I want to see you," said the individual, puffing, and depositing an unmoved Curtis on the ground.

"Who are you?"

"I will tell you that when we are alone."

"Then you will not tell me at all," said Maurice, icily.

"Stay a moment," said the individual.

He advanced to the desk. Maurice jumped up. Emile also rose, as if to shield the one or to attack the other.

"I merely wish to show you my card—you alone," emphasised the individual. "I have my reasons for showing it to you alone."

Maurice inspected the card.

There was a dramatic silence.

"No, one knows who you are?" Maurice questioned.

"No one," said the individual.

"Very well."

Maurice glanced at Berger.

Berger and the clerk, gathering up their papers, vanished. Curtis, with the foreseeing instinct of the Oriental, had preceded them.

CHAPTER VI.

The Two Detectives.

"So you are Mr. Solomon Sibthorpe?" said Maurice, eyeing the stranger who had carried in Curtis by the neck.

"At your service," replied Solomon Sibthorpe, still puffing slightly after the exertion.

And he replied in a bland, cheerful tone such as might have been employed by a West End shopman of superior manners to a customer in search of pink ribbon. There was no sense of tragedy about Solomon Sibthorpe. He was too stout to feel tragedy. His girth, in fact, was enormous. And he had brown whiskers, and full cheeks, and teeth that gleamed in the midst of his smile, and wavy hair. Yet he was never very far distant from tragedy. Famous he could not be called; but he enjoyed a sort of sinister subterranean celebrity. He was more known of than known. His name occurred frequently in the papers, and almost always with the same formula: "The case is in the hands of Inspector Solomon Sibthorpe of the criminal investigation department." Nothing but that! Inspector Solomon Sibthorpe never appeared in the case. The public never "saw" him, though, if ever a man could be said to be visible to the naked eye, Solomon Sibthorpe was that man. He existed in the popular imagination as a long, lean person, with darkly glinting eyes, something between a conjurer and a cuttlefish, who even at school had been sardonic and mysterious, who was dead to all human affections at the age of twenty, whose private address was divulged to none but the chief commissioner of police, and who might be observed on rare occasions at the Savoy, talking in low, guarded tones to the chef, and sipping a great wine that was offered only to the finest connoisseurs.

The reality differed somewhat from this vision. In boyhood Sibthorpe had failed for the navy; a little later he had attempted oranges in Florida, and it was only by sheer hazard that he had entered New Scotland Yard. Some detectives may be born; a french-polished or a maker of glass-eyes may be born. But Cibthorpe was not born a detective. He made himself a detective, and one early success established his reputation. When, at thirty, his girth began to increase, the Yard was alarmed. As his girth went on increasing the Yard was scandalised; that girth was contrary to tradition. But as his girth still went on increasing, the Yard laughed, and Sibthorpe, from a scandal, became a joke.

After all, why should a detective not be fat since the science of detection has long since discarded the infantile dodge of disguise? He was married and lived in Argyll street, and his wife regarded him as a fat fool. His age was fifty.

Maurice, who corresponded much more nearly than Sibthorpe to the popular notion of a detective, remained standing a moment, mutely regarding the inspector.

"Will you sit down?" he said at length, in a resigned tone.

"Thanks," said Sibthorpe, genially. "At your service," he repeated.

And they both sat down, Maurice at the desk and Sibthorpe in a vast Empire fauteuil which might have been specially designed for him.

"I regret that you were not at my service a little earlier—a good deal earlier," said Maurice, stiffly. "I've been waiting for you all day."

"Yes, I knew you were getting impatient," was Sibthorpe's cheery answer.

"How did you know?"

"I've been here all day," said Sibthorpe.

Maurice started. He would perhaps have paid much to have recalled that start; but he could not even give it the appearance of a voluntary movement; it was a genuine start. One might conceive that hitherto he had looked on Sibthorpe as comic, as a kind of grotesque insult to his intelligence; but that now he felt differently. To learn that this elephant had been about the place all day, his identity unguessed, was assuredly disconcerting, and the fact that no one but a madman would have taken Sibthorpe for a detective, did not make it a bit less so.

There was a brief silence in the room. Maurice stared down at the circle of light thrown on the desk by the desk-lamp, and Sibthorpe looked over his shoulder, as though he suspected someone's presence, at the circle of light thrown by the other lamp on the table where Berger and the clerk had been working.

"Why didn't you come to me first?" Maurice demanded.

"Common sense," said Sibthorpe.

"Common sense? How?"

"Always best to avoid preconceptions," said Sibthorpe. "I like to think for myself before hearing what other people think."

"But what have you been doing?"

"Examining the field," said Sibthorpe.

"And have you discovered anything?"

"You will know later, Mr. Courlander," said Sibthorpe; and gazed with a steady and invincible smile at the master of Tudor Hundreds.

Maurice was angry; but he was also helpless; he therefore concealed his anger. His estimate of Sibthorpe had changed four times in three minutes. First he had taken him for a rude, clumsy and athletic clown, gifted with a certain ingenuity for compassing his own ends. Then his verdict had agreed with Mrs. Sibthorpe's. Then he had been impressed and almost intimidated. Lastly he had half come round again to Mrs. Sibthorpe, and this because the detective obviously took a naive pleasure in adopting a theatrical pose. The detective was clearly an egotist of an advanced kind, and saw himself invariably as the centre of the picture. Thus he had not offered a word of respectful sympathy for Maurice. For him the murder of Carl Courlander was not an occasion of profound grief for Carl's family; it was an opportunity for Carl's family to witness the cleverness of Solomon Sibthorpe.

"Having examined the field," said Maurice, drily, "what is your next move?"

"My next move is to examine you."

"Examine me then." He swung his chair round on its pivot and faced Sibthorpe with a gesture that resembled hostility.

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FOR SALE—Pure bred Dorking cockerels and pullets; also prize strain light Brahma cockerels. Address W. B. A., Times Office.

FOR SALE—Incubator and brooder. Apply 1138 Johnson street.

FOR SALE—Buggy robe, $2.50; raincoats, $2.75; Cape Ann oilskins, $2.50; cravanet overcoats, $4.50; army pants, $1.50; Amn. Waltham, 7 jewels, $6; lady's gold watch, 14 kt., $12; key chain and ring, 15c. Jacob Aaronson's new and second-hand store, 56 Johnson street, 4 doors below Government. Phone 1747.

FOR SALE—One second-hand Houston tenoner, one Smith mortiser, one shaper, one ten-inch sticker, one small dynamo, one small engine; also 6 heavy horses. Apply Taylor Mill Company, 2116 Government St., or P. O. Box 625.

WANTED—Anything second-hand. For sale, heaters, go-carts, gun (Parker Bros.' hammerless), 12-bore, $23; coaster bikes, $10 up; large canvas; carpenter and machinists' tools, cheap, at X L Second-Hand Store, opp. Pantages Theatre, in alley.

FOR SALE—A few new buggies, latest style, second-hand buggies, wagons and carts, two good fresh calved cows; also all kinds of horses. Apply at I. J. J. Fisher's Carriage Shop, 642 Discovery street.

AS AN INVESTMENT no opportunity is as good as that of the Pingree Mines, Ltd., of Nelson. The richest mine in the free gold belt. Surrounded by shipping properties. Ore assays $49.50 per ton and incurs no smelting penalties. Tramways, mills, etc., not needed. Stock being sold to insure a large working force at the mines. Maysmith & Co., Mahon Bldg.

Lots for Sale

FOR SALE—Lots, very cheap, on Foul Bay road, Leighton, Amphion, Hulton. Single lots from $325; double lots, $625; one-third cash, balance six, twelve, eighteen months. E. C. B. Bagshawe, 613 Fort street.

FOR SALE—Fine lots on Cook street, splendid soil, only $300; easy terms. C. H. Revercomb.

FOR SALE—Several acres at Shoal Bay, which we can sell at a bargain. Empire Realty Co., 612 Yates street.

FOR SALE—Four lots on Hillside avenue. Apply 929 Johnson street, or telephone 1098. Mrs. E. Coones.

FOR SALE—2 good lots, together, in vicinity of C. P. R. wharf; ideal site for hotel or apartment house; $2,500 each; easy terms. Yates & Jay, solicitors for owner, 446 Bastion street, Victoria.

GOOD BUILDING LOT—Prospect road, close to Fort street and car line, good black soil, for quick sale $350; 3 acres, rich black loam, cleared and fenced, good for nursery, $3,500, liberal terms. 1 mile from City Hall. E. White, 636 Fort street.

Miscellaneous

A SOCIAL DANCE will be held in Colwood Hall, Wednesday, Dec. 9th, 1908; good music. Gents, $1; ladies, free.

HACKS' PHONE 875. Victoria Hack Stand, cor. Yates and Government Sts.

EVERY SUFFERER FROM RHEUMATISM can be cured by wearing a Lion Anti-Rheumatic Ring. For sale by Redfern, Government street.

FOR FRESH CIGARS and tobaccos, and all the latest news, see Joe McDowell, King's Head Cigar and News Stand, next to Pantages.

WANTED—From 3 to 5 acres improved land with buildings, near city. Box 692.

MISS GALLICHAN, Dressmaker, 1412 Quadra street.

WHO, WHY, WHEN, WHERE, to make profitable mining investments, by the late Cecil Rhodes. Most interesting report free. Engineer, 708 Ouray, Washington, D. C.

MISS WILSON, Dressmaker, has removed her workrooms from the Promis Block to her home on Oak Bay avenue, 3rd house past Foul Bay road. Phone B1655.

NOTICE—For the next six weeks I, the undersigned, will sell cordwood in four-foot lengths and take sawing machine to cut it in yards, alleyways and vacant lots, in lots of 4 cords and upwards. Try the old way and see what you are getting. J. E. Grice, 2022 Douglas street, Victoria, B. C. Phone 149.

HANBURY'S BAKERY is the place to buy high quality goods.

TO LET—Offices in Bank of Montreal Chambers. Apply Bank of Montreal.

FOR SALE—South Wellington coal, the best coal mined—less ashes, less soot, more heat. Order your next ton from the Victoria Fuel Co., tel. 1377, McPherson & Fullerton Bros., 618 Trounce ave., Victoria, B. C.

HAVE YOU TRIED Hanbury's "Mother's Bread?"

THE LATEST sheet metal electric signs. J. Merket, maker, Victoria, B. C.

Property for Sale

FOR SALE—Ranch, 98 acres of the best land on Vancouver Island, 20 acres cleared, small house, good barn, 2 creeks (never dry) run through property, a section from salt water, 31 miles from Victoria; bargain at $6,000. Flint & Co.

FOR SALE—Chicken ranch, 8½ acres, the best in British Columbia for fruit and chickens, high and dry, all fenced in, with a new five roomed house, only 31 miles from City Hall; property is beautifully located, with plenty of fuel; will take $2,100 on your own terms. Apply Mrs. J. Sorensen, 1214 Government St., Room 8.

TIMBER—Before buying or selling timber in B. C. call and see my list, comprising more than 100 of the best properties, aggregating a total cut of twenty-five billion (25,000,000,000) feet. A. T. Frampton, Mahon Bldg., Victoria. Phone 1058.

FOR SALE—Gordon Head road, seven acres cleared land for $320 per acre; must be sold. Lee & Fraser, 11 Trounce avenue.

FOR SALE—160-acre farm on Galiano Island, 2½ miles from new government wharf, 75 acres of good land, 10 to 15 acres cleared, 25 acres slashed, 2 roomed shack, plenty of good spring water, a few fruit trees, a portion of land fenced, a good road to property, $700 has been laid out by former owner in clearing and fencing, coal right goes with the land, two companies own coal rights in the vicinity, plenty of good timber; $2,300 cash, $2,500, $1,500 down, balance to arrange. Apply 733 Broughton street.

FOR SALE—10 acres, house, out buildings, fruit trees, plenty of water. T. Morley, Swan Lake.

FOR SALE—Eighteen acres good fruit land, eight miles from Victoria; all kinds buggies, wagons and carts, horses and harness; also yoke young oxen, well broken, and twenty-five young pigs. I. J. J. Fisher, Carriage Shop, Discovery street.

Rooms and Board

TO RENT—Furnished room, with parlor or without. 36 Menzies street.

TO RENT—Two unfurnished rooms, central. 327 Quebec street.

NICE FRONT BEDROOM and board, for two gentlemen, near sawmills and car line; terms moderate. Box 462, Times.

TO RENT—Furnished room, for one or two gentlemen; reasonable; close in. 749 Fisguard street.

TO RENT—Nicely furnished rooms. 949 Fort street. Phone B1243.

FURNISHED ROOMS from $6 a month; rooms and board, $5 a week. 731 Fisguard street, city.

TO LET—Furnished rooms, single or double, electric lights in every room. Apply 716 Yates street.

"THE HOLLIES"—Board and room. 756 Courtney. Phone A1616.

NEWLY FURNISHED ROOMS TO LET—5 minutes from P.O., $7 per month. 834 Fort street.

ROOM AND BOARD for 4 or 5 persons, home comforts. Apply Box 67, Times Office.

FURNISHED ROOMS from $6 a month; rooms and board, $5.50 a week. 731 Fisguard street, city.

TO RENT—Two partly furnished cottages. Apply P. O. Box 23, Victoria, B.C.

TO LET—Comfortably furnished rooms, with or without board. 725 Vancouver street.

TO LET—2 unfurnished rooms. 427 Government street.

PRINCE RUPERT HOUSE, Bastion Square. Furnished housekeeping and single rooms.

Buy the Times

J. GREENWOOD
REAL ESTATE AND TIMBER
Above Northern Bank. Tel. A833

ALBERNI—The new terminus for C.P.R.—5 GOOD LOTS in Township One, half cash and balance easy terms, the five for $150

CALEDONIA AVENUE—On car line, fine level LOT, only $750

OAK BAY, just off car line—Good level LOT, terms, only $500

OLD ESQUIMALT ROAD—MODERN HOME, with every convenience, 7 rooms, house is very well built, and stands on two lots 100x137, half cash and balance at seven per cent. $3,850

THE GRIFFITH CO.
ROOM 11, MAHON BUILDING.
REAL ESTATE, TIMBER, INSURANCE.

LOTS—Two lots on Bank street, for a few days at $1,100; $400 cash and balance to arrange. Good lots and near the car line. Two lots, at corner of Blackwood and Montrose, for $700; large and slightly.

FRUIT RANCH—Another fruit ranch gone and another wanted by a cash buyer. If you have the right thing we can place it.

TIMBER—We have put 100,000 acres of Vancouver Island timber under option in the last 30 days, and have clients in sight for more. If yours is placed right and priced right we can find a market.

Housekeeping Rooms

TO LET—Three furnished housekeeping rooms. 1211 Quadra street, five minutes from Post Office.

COMFORTABLY furnished housekeeping rooms, electric light, on car line, rent reasonable. 1287 Gladstone avenue.

TO LET—Hotel Canada, 1318 Broad St. Furnished housekeeping and furnished rooms. Phone 1654.

Situations Wanted—Female

LADY WISHES POSITION as chambermaid in hotel or boarding house. Apply Box 408, Times Office.

Situations Wanted—Male

YOUNG MAN, married, wishes a position of any kind. Apply U. B. C., this office.

EXPERT BOOKKEEPER, accountant, correspondent and general office man would appreciate position with responsible party or firm. Box 507, Times Office.

Wanted—Miscellaneous

WANTED—Loan of $1,800 at 7 per cent., for building in James Bay. Apply Citizen, P. O. Box 108.

Teacher Wanted

WANTED—A male teacher, with first-class certificate, for the staff of the Victoria schools; salary $80 a month; duties to commence on January 4th, 1909. Apply to City Superintendent.

WANTED—Immediately, man and wife to take charge of a small farm; either on shares or with an option of purchase, close to town. Address H. W., No. 1, Times.

SMALL FARM WANTED—3 to 10 acres, improved, fruit and buildings, close to town. Send complete information, price, etc., Box 348, Times.

CLEAN cotton rags wanted at Times Office.

WOULD LIKE TO HEAR from owner having good paying business for sale. Not particular about location; please give price, reason for selling, and state when possession can be had. L. Darbyshire, Box 1821, Rochester, N. Y.

WANTED—A few young chickens or pullets, must be cheap (common kind only); state lowest price. Box 551, Times.

LIQUOR LICENSE ACT, 1900.

Notice is hereby given that, thirty days after date, I intend to apply to the Superintendent of Provincial Police for a renewal of license to sell intoxicating liquors on the premises known as the Colwood Hotel, situated at Colwood, B.C.

DANIEL CAMPBELL.
Colwood, B. C., 19th November, 1908.

Notice is hereby given that on the 9th day of December, 1908, I shall apply to the Board of Licensing Commissioners for Victoria City for a transfer of the license to sell liquor by retail at the premises known as the St. George's Inn, on the Esquimalt road, Victoria, B. C., from the late Thos. Griffiths to the undersigned, Alice Griffiths.

Dated at Victoria, B. C., this 9th day of November, 1908.

ALICE GRIFFITHS.

RAFFLE

To be raffled, a beautiful hand-embroidered silk panel (landscape), value $50. Can be seen at Tim Kee's fancy goods store, 1602 Government Street, corner Cormorant; 100 tickets at 50 cents. Date of drawing to be announced when tickets are sold.

TIM KEE.

TENDERS

Tenders for the supply of school requisites for the coming school year will be received up to December 8th by the Secretary of the School Board, at whose office specifications may be obtained. The Board do not bind themselves to accept the lowest or any tender.

ISABELLA MOORE,
Secretary.

NOTICE

Subscribers of the Victoria Daily Times are requested to pay their subscriptions to the carriers, and not at the office.

A. COLQUHOUN HOLMES
REAL ESTATE.
575 YATES ST., VICTORIA, B. C.

QUADRA ST. (near Hillside)—A comfortable cottage, 5 rooms, terms, $1,650.
PORT ANGELES PROPERTY—Good lots at reasonable prices, by instalments.
FIRE INSURANCE—General Accident Fire and Life Assurance Corporation.

SWINERTON & ODDY
1206 GOVERNMENT STREET.

FOR SALE.

1 ACRE on Pine street, near Cloverdale avenue, only $850, would sub-divide into 5 good lots; lots ½ mile further out selling at $250

2 ACRES on Alder and Maple streets for $850 per acre, would make ten good lots.

2½ ACRES, all cleared, good soil, on Glasgow street, per acre $850

7.07 ACRES, 5½ acres cleared, 6 miles out, 10 minutes' walk from V. & S. Ry., near main road, only $1,000

6.23 ACRES, nearly all cleared, adjoining above, only $1,200

3 SPLENDID LOTS on Third street, in Finlayson Estate, each 50x140, with lane at rear, cement sidewalk and boulevard, each $1,000

The owner has instructed us to sell the above as soon as possible and has made the prices reasonably low to effect an immediate sale.

J. STUART YATES
22 BASTION STREET, VICTORIA.

FOR SALE.

80 ACRES—Sooke District, just inside Sooke Harbor.

FINE SEA FRONTAGE—At Esquimalt, about three acres, cheap.

TWO LOTS—On Victoria harbor, with large wharf and sheds and 2 large warehouses, in good condition, on easy terms.

THREE LOTS—On Yates street, with 10 stores, bringing in good rentals.

TO RENT—Large wharf, at foot of Yates street, rent $120 per month.

8½ ACRES—On Colquitz river, Victoria District, cheap.

For further particulars apply to above address.

BRITISH COLUMBIA LAND & INVESTMENT AGENCY, LIMITED.
49 GOVERNMENT STREET.

$2,650.
GOOD FIVE-ROOMED COTTAGE
And Three Large Lots. Exceedingly Cheap at This Price. Terms.

$3,150.
10-ROOMED HOUSE
And Corner Lot, Very Close In; House Modern Every Respect; Stable.

$4,500.
9-ROOMED MODERN HOUSE
And Lot 76x136; in Good Location; Close to Sea and Carline; Terms, $500 Cash; Balance Can Be Arranged.

$2,750.
7-ROOMED MODERN HOUSE,
In Good Location, and Only a Few Minutes Walk from Centre of City; Terms, $250 Cash; Balance Monthly Instalments.

LOTS AND ACREAGE
In Fairfield Estate and Close to New Carline; Can Have Sewer; View of Sea, Etc.

LOTS AND ACREAGE
In Yates Estate; between Gorge and Burnside Roads; Close to Carline and Gorge and City Parks; Lots from $100 Up; One-third Cash; Excellent Building Sites.

LEE & FRASER
9 AND 11 TROUNCE AVENUE.

GORDON HEAD ROAD—7 acres of cleared land for $320 per acre, easy terms.

NORTH PARK STREET—6 roomed cottage and large grounds. Inquire at office for terms and price.

LOTS FOR SALE—On Ladysmith, Blackwood and Prior streets, on very easy terms.

CORDOVA BAY—Fine acreage on water front, $150 per acre.

Lodges

COLUMBIA LODGE, No. 1, I. O. O. F., meets every Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock in Odd Fellows' Hall, Douglas street. R. W. Fawcett, Rec. Sec., 237 Government street.

COURT CARIBOO, NO. 742, I.O.F.—Meets on second Tuesday and fourth Monday of each month in K. of P. Hall, corner Pandora and Douglas streets. Visiting Foresters welcomed. F. Sec., E. Parsons, Lee & Fraser, Trounce ave.; J. W. H. King, R. Sec., 1361 Pandora street.

COMPANION COURT FAR WEST, I. O. F., No. 279, meets first and third Mondays each month in K. of P. Hall, corner Douglas and Pandora streets. Isabelle Moore, Financial Secretary, 541 Hillside Ave., city.

K. OF P.—No. 1, Far West Lodge, Friday, K. of P. Hall, cor. Douglas and Pandora Sts. H. Weber, K. of R. & S. Box 544.

VICTORIA, NO. 11, K. of P., meets at K. of P. Hall every Thursday. D. S. Mowat, K. of R. & S. Box 184.

A. O. F., COURT NORTHERN LIGHT, No. 5935, meets at K. of P. Hall 2nd and 4th Wednesdays. W. F. Fullerton, Secy.

VICTORIA LODGE, No. 1, A. O. U. W., meets every second and fourth Wednesday in month at A. O. U. W. Hall. Members of Order visiting the city cordially invited to attend. R. Dunn, recorder.

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To insure quick sales of properties should get them photographed by
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Maps and plans copied or blue printed. Enlargements from films or prints to any size. Finishing and supplies for amateurs, Kodaks for sale or hire.
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620 FORT STREET
VICTORIA, B. C.

FOR SALE.

For a short time only, LOTS 37 and 38, Bank street, 60x120 each; on terms. Price, each $550

TO LET.

1536 BELCHER STREET, an 8-room dwelling, after 31st December. Rent, per month $25

FOR SALE.

To close up an estate, SIX-ROOM DWELLING on Oak Bay avenue; large lot, nice shrubbery; easy terms. Price $2,600

TO LET.

7 ROOM NEW MODERN BUNGALOW, 123 Government Street. Rent $30.

TO LET.

7 ROOM MODERN BUNGALOW, Grant Street.
Vacant 7th December. Rent $22.50

GORDON HEAD.
Cleared Cultivated Land.
$400 Per Acre.
Uncleared Land in 4 and 5 Acre Blocks, Price $300 Per Acre.

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REAL ESTATE, FINANCIAL AND INSURANCE AGENT.
NEW ADDRESS, 1210 DOUGLAS ST.

TO EXCHANGE—SMALL RANCH at Gordon Head for city property.

VICTORIA WEST—FOUR ROOMED COTTAGE, lot 50 ft. x 100 ft., near new school, price $1,600; terms.

SIX LOTS—Just off Oak Bay avenue, for $2,500.

SMALL COTTAGE and four lots, on Hillside avenue, $2,250; easy terms.

$75 CASH and small monthly payments will secure GOOD LOTS on Hillside Ave.

THIRD ST.—FIVE ROOMED DWELLING, modern conveniences, small cash payment, balance monthly installments.

FIRE INSURANCE WRITTEN IN NON-TARIFF COMPANIES.

SYNOPSIS OF CANADIAN NORTH-WEST LAND REGULATIONS.

Any person who is the sole head of a family, or any male over 18 years old, may homestead a quarter section (160 acres, more or less) of available Dominion land in Manitoba, Saskatchewan or Alberta. The applicant must appear in person at the Dominion Lands Agency or Sub-Agency for the district. Entry by proxy may be made at any agency, on certain conditions, by father, mother, son, daughter, brother or sister of intending homesteader.

DUTIES.—Six months' residence upon and cultivation of the land in each of three years. A homesteader may live within nine miles of his homestead on a farm of at least 80 acres solely owned and occupied by him or by his father, mother, son, daughter, brother or sister.

In certain districts a homesteader in good standing may pre-empt a quarter section alongside his homestead. Price $3.00 per acre. Duties.—Must reside six months in each of six years from date of homestead entry (including the time required to earn homestead patent) and cultivate fifty acres extra.

A homesteader who has exhausted his homestead right and cannot obtain a pre-emption may take a purchased homestead in certain districts. Price $3.00 per acre. Purchased homesteads may be acquired on any available lands on either odd or even numbered Sections south of Township 45, east of the Calgary and Edmonton Railway and the west line of Range 26, and west of the third Meridian and the Sault Railway line. Duties.—Must reside six months in each of three years, cultivate fifty acres and erect a house worth $300.

SYNOPSIS OF CANADIAN NORTH-WEST MINING REGULATIONS.

COAL.—Coal mining rights may be leased for twenty-one years at an annual rental of $1.00 an acre. Not more than 2,560 acres can be leased to one applicant. Royalty, five cents per ton.

QUARTZ.—A person eighteen years of age and over having made a discovery may locate a claim 1,500 feet by 1,500 feet. Fee, $5.00. At least $100 must be expended on the claim each year, or paid to the Mining Recorder. When $500 has been expended or paid and other requirements complied with the claim may be purchased at $1.00 an acre.

PLACER MINING CLAIMS generally, 100 feet square. Entry fee, $5.00.

DREDGING.—Two leases of five miles each of a river may be issued to one applicant for a term of 20 years. Rental, $10 a mile per annum. Royalty, 2½ per cent. after the output exceeds $10,000.

W. W. CORY,
Deputy of the Minister of the Interior.

N. B.—Unauthorized publication of this advertisement will not be paid for.

NOTICE.

In the matter of the title to part of City Lots 405 and 406, Victoria, and in the matter of the "Quieting Titles Act."

Pursuant to an order of the Supreme Court of British Columbia dated the 19th day of August, 1908, notice is hereby given that an application was made on behalf of Charles Edward Adams, of Rossland, B. C., John Benbow Adams and George Daniel Adams, both of Victoria, B. C., under the "Quieting Titles Act" for a declaration of title to the northerly strip of Lots 405 and 406 in said city having a frontage of 25 feet on Broad street by a uniform depth from front to rear of 75 feet as shown on the official map of the said city, and any person having or pretending to have any title to or interest in the said premises or any part thereof is required within six (6) weeks from the first publication of this notice to file a statement of his or her claim with the District Registrar of the Supreme Court of British Columbia at Victoria, B. C., pursuant to the "Quieting Titles Act," otherwise the declaration of title will be granted as applied for.

Dated this 19th day of August, 1908.

CREASE & CREASE,
Solicitors for the Petition,
521 Fort Street,
Victoria, B. C.

MUNICIPALITY OF THE DISTRICT OF OAK BAY.
VOTERS' LIST.
NOTICE TO HOUSEHOLDERS.

Take notice that all persons, not the owners of lands or improvements, who:

1. Are British subjects of the full age of twenty-one years;
2. Have resided within the Municipality since the first day of January last;
3. Have paid all rates, taxes or assessments, which are not chargeable on land, and which amount to not less than two dollars for the current year, other than water rates or taxes or license fees for dogs;

And who desire to have their names placed on the voters' list, shall make out and cause to be delivered to the Clerk of the Municipality a statutory declaration on or before the first day of December next.

J. S. FLOYD, Clerk.
Victoria, B. C., 5th November, 1908.

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ALL THESE TO-DAY FOR $1

3 LBS. SEEDED RAISINS
3 LBS. RE-CLEANED CURANTS
3 LBS. GOLDEN SULTANAS
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SATURDAY For $1

SATURDAY SAUSAGE "SPECIAL"

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Capital $150,000, divided into 1,500 shares of $100 each, of which 750 shares are now offered for subscription at $100.

Terms of Payment: 10 per cent. payable on application, 15 per cent. payable on allotment, and balance in installments of 10 per cent. at intervals of one month.

AGENTS FOR VICTORIA: STEWART WILLIAMS & CO., Auctioneers and Agents, Victoria, from whom all particulars can be obtained. Phone 124.

'The Exchange'

718 FORT STREET

Telephone 1737.

BUY, SELL OR EXCHANGE FURNITURE, ETC.

OFFERS WANTED FOR THE FOLLOWING:

One Grand Piano, Erard, London, may be paid for by installments; also one Iron Frame, Vertical Strung Piano, by Henry Ward, London, $150; one Good Piano, upright, by Smith & Co., Manchester, $140; one Kitchen Cabinet, new, $25; one Kitchen Cabinet, little used, $20; Mahogany-Birch Chiffonier, $25; Oak Quarter Cut Chiffonier, $22.50, both with Bevelled Mirror; Bureau, with 7 Drawers, $12.50; Bureau, with 5 Drawers, $8.50; Gas Range; Yoho Water Heater; 2 Wicker Baby Buggies, $7.50 and $9; Boy's Bicycle, $7; Walnut Folding Cot and Mattress, $7; Solid Oak Sideboard, $25; several good Sewing Machines.

Also quantity Travellers' Sample Japanese Fancy Chinaware and new Picture Post Cards.

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2 P. M.

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Full particulars later. This is a very nice line of furniture.

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HAVE FOR SALE PRIVATELY:

Bay Pony, about 12½ hands, 9 years old, quiet to ride and drive; Pony Cart and Harness; good Cow, Grade Shorthorn, 5 years old; 3 Cypher's Incubators and Brooders (nearly new); large Oak Over-Mantel, fit for a bar room; Piano by Nordheimer; a quantity of Solid Silver Ware, Lucknow and Burmese work, and other goods too numerous to mention.

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MAYNARD & SON, Auctioneers.

CRIME OF JEALOUSY.

Lodging House Keeper Kills His Wife After Quarrel.

Greenville, Miss., Dec. 5.—After fatally shooting his wife yesterday, John Arten, a lodging house keeper, fired three revolver bullets into his head, inflicting wounds which, physicians stated, will probably prove fatal. The shooting is said to have been the result of a quarrel due to jealousy. Mrs. Arten died within an hour after the shooting.

NOTICE

J. KINGHAM & CO.

HAVE REMOVED THEIR COAL OFFICE TO

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Adjoining the Colonist Building.

New Wellington COAL

IN ALL GRADES AT CURRENT RATES.

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SATURDAY "COMPLIMENTS"

PRUNES, 50-60s. Usual price 8c per lb. To-day, per lb. ..5¢
MIXED NUTS, 6 varieties, all new, per lb., to-day....20¢
KING APPLES, 26 boxes to-day, while they last, per box $1

Sausages, Chickens, Crumpets, Muffins and Local Cream Cheese Specialties Here.

The West End Grocery Co. Ltd

1002 Government St. Phones 88 and 1761

EBONY GOODS

Our holiday importation of Ebony Goods have arrived this year in good time. We have an enviable reputation for quality and assortment in this line, handling the products of the best French makers. Every piece guaranteed genuine. See our display in Yates street window, and let us quote you prices.

JOHN COCHRANE

CHEMIST

N. W. Cor Yates and Douglas Sts.

GERMANY IN TRANSITION

A NATION'S AWAKENING.

By Sydney Brooks in the London Chronicle.

Germany is remarkably well worth watching just now. She is in the throes of a three-fold transition—social, economic and political—and it is not easy to see how she will emerge.

Of the three crises that confront her, the social crisis—perhaps the moral crisis would be a better word—is the resultant of empire prosperity, materialism and a new spirit of national aggressiveness, acting upon a country that, but a generation ago, was divided, contentedly poor and devoted to plain living and high thinking. The economic crisis consists in the necessity of adjusting Germany's domestic policy to the fact that every year finds her passing more and more decidedly from a mainly agricultural to a mainly industrial state. The political crisis one may broadly define as the need for establishing a smoother—a more working equitable compromise between universal suffrage on the one hand, and the fact of semi-autocratic rulership on the other. It is with the last of these problems that I propose now to deal.

Revolt Against Autocracy.

Never before has the Kaiser been so roundly taken to task by his subjects as during the past fortnight. Never have the manifestations of his individual initiative seemed so little congenial to the national instincts. The German people have turned upon him in a fury of irritation. His conduct was made the subject of a full-dress debate in the Reichstag. The Radicals have asked for "remedies for serious shortcomings in the treatment of foreign affairs." The Socialists have demanded "preventive measures" against the recurrence of such incidents as the Daily Telegraph interview. There has been talk of a parliamentary committee on foreign affairs to keep the Kaiser in check. Even the Conservatives have ventured a formal hope that "a greater reserve may be practised in the future"; and there cannot be much doubt that if the Reichstag had the courage of its opinion it would memoralize the Emperor never again to give unedited expression to his views on foreign affairs.

But these signs of impatience, though never so universal and vehement as now, are no new thing. They have been multiplying of recent years with significant rapidity. Germany has been touched, willy-nilly, by that impulse of self-realization that in the last few years has profoundly revolutionized Russia and Austria, is battering its way into Hungary, and is at this moment whirling through Turkey and the Balkans. In Germany, as in the neighboring states, the people are beating against the bars. They are calling for a share in the government commensurate with their power and intelligence. They are questioning the social and political success of a system under which parliamentary government serves merely as a fig-leaf for personal rulership. They are beginning to realize that the ballot, as an end in itself, is insufficient; that, divorced from responsibility, it is little more than a national plaything, and that it affords no adequate security against the subordination of government to the interests of a single class, or against the capricious and hazardous policies of absolutism.

Judged by Results.

A constitution is one thing; its daily workings are another. Theoretically, Tammany hall under the American system, is an impossibility. Practically, it exists. On paper the German Emperor has not so very much more power than the King of England. In actual fact, he is scarcely less the sole direction of the Empire's internal and external policy than President Castro. The German people are coming to test their governmental machinery by its results. They do not find those results as satisfactory as they might be, and they are working round to the conclusion that no Emperor, however patriotic, and no Chancellor, however dexterous, can be quite so safe a guardian of the national interests as the nation itself.

I do not say that they have yet reached this conclusion or that, even if they had, they would not be able at present to carry it into practical effect. But unquestionably that is the direction in which the German mind is moving. For many years past it has displayed a growing restlessness, as though at uneasy pause between the old ideal of order and expert government from above and the new ideal of liberty and popular government from below. It is becoming impatient of a parliamentary regime without the party system and of ministers responsible to the crown instead of to the people; and much has happened of late to raise impatience to a state of audible discontent.

The Kaiser's Morocco adventure, for example—to go no further back—impressed his subjects as a stroke almost wholly off his own bat. The nation had no share in shaping a policy that kept Europe for months in tense perturbation, and vast numbers of Germans not only did not approve of it, but showed unmistakably that their longing was for peace. It was sharply criticized all over Europe, but nowhere more sharply than in Germany itself. The people examined its fruits all the more closely, and perhaps all the more captiously, because they were not consulted about it and had no hand in directing it; and the fruits commended themselves neither to their palate nor their judgment.

Then came the Hohenlohe memoirs to rouse in the popular mind that same suspiciousness of the nation's leaders, of cabals and cliques, and hidden, selfish and omnipotent influences that England chafed under a century and a half ago. The Germans have always been rather inclined to look at their rulers through a mist of mythological illusion. They stood positively aghast at discovering from the ex-Chancellor's piquant pages that kings have tempers, that statesmen are human in their likings and their prejudices, that national decisions are often the outcome of personal whims, that civilians and soldiers are in the habit of jostling one another for the Imperial favor, that sycophants are less than ever an extinct species, and that pettiness and strife hold their own as successfully in "court circles" as among the middle and lower classes.

Illuminating Incidents.

The galling series of colonial scandals in 1906 and the harassing unprofitable and not over-successful war in South-west Africa still further intensified the unpopular dissatisfaction with the methods and policy of an irresponsible Imperialism. Nor was the dissatisfaction lessened when, during the debates on the project of building a military railway in the revolting colony, the Reichstag was informed that, the Emperor having sanctioned it, the railway would be built, however the representatives of the people might vote. That was a most illuminating incident. It showed that according to the official view the Reichstag, though elected by universal suffrage, is a mere registration instrument for automatically ratifying the demands of the government, and that its business is to accommodate itself with eternal meekness to policies it has had no hand in shaping.

The time will assuredly come when that view will have to be abandoned. In the general election of 1907 the Kaiser was himself the supreme issue and the popular, though not the parliamentary, vote went against him and the system he typified. Since then the Harden case has emphasized some of the most objectionable perils to which a regime that centres on a single personality and a single will is inevitably exposed. And now the Daily Telegraph interview has underscored anew all its shortcomings, and confusions, and its infinite liability to stir up international friction. Small wonder the German people are in revolt. Small wonder they are beginning to long for a system that shall be responsible as well as representative.

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There was a sale at noon to-day and another will take place on Monday. At these citizens who desire to own a dog and do not demand a certified pedigree along with it, can suit themselves at little expense beyond having to take out a license. There is a wide range of choice. To-day there were two English setters, two cocker spaniels, two brown spaniels, five collies, one bull terrier, two fox terriers, a black and tan terrier and a pointer.

On Monday there will be offered three fox terriers, two black setters and a red setter and a huskie dog whose years are many. The pound-keeper is at a loss very often to fix the breed of his charges, and is reduced to designating some of them as "a small red dog," "a red dog with a short coat," or "a small red dog with a short tail." And lower even than these come half a dozen nameless pariahs, who are described as "others not classified."

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